

UNITED STATES AND FRANCE ARE RAPIDLY NEARING AGREEMENT

Paris, Dec. 18.—President Wilson has been in France less than a week, yet signs are piling up that France and the United States are coming to an agreement.

This does not mean they are in absolute agreement on the entire peace program, but the four parlers are going on with a healthy, rock-bottom basis, according to the conviction of the French.

Every political chief has already been called to the Murat palace, where, eye to eye, the American and French leaders have sized up each other.

The Frenchmen admit they greatly admire President Wilson and are puzzled by the domestic situation in the United States. They are like sphynxes themselves, regarding this latter matter, lest they embarrass the government.

They admit they are unable to grasp what has transpired, and is transpiring in America, which they confess—owing to the circumstances—is most harmful.

"We have the most absolute faith in President Wilson," a high official told the United Press.

"In a certain way, his presence in Europe is worth all that it cost him to come. Everybody is confident already that there is no trouble ahead because, whatever differences come up regarding details, their settlement is discounted in advance.

Personal contact with the president already has meant much and will mean more. In accord with the grand lines of progress, direct conversations best permit practical application of details and prevent errors in interpretation.

Honest, outspoken collaboration between France and America is certain. Wilson and Clemenceau will guarantee that.

One French leader illustrated France's attitude toward Wilson with a story.

"France reminds me of the family of a lovely bride, awaiting the groom, of whom they have heard much but never seen," he said.

"Before the groom's arrival, the bride's brothers are grumblingly suspicious. They say they must demand this and the other thing as their sister's rights because, after all, the bride is their sister.

"However, once the groom arrives, smiling and whole-hearted, and better than anybody had hoped, he is given the best of everything without hesitation.

CONFLICT WITH RADICALS GROWS IN MAGNITUDE

Berlin, Dec. 17.—(Delayed)—The conflict between the radicals and the Ebert-Haase government, which broke out afresh yesterday, is still undecided.

The demonstration by soldiers outside the Reichstag building, led by Karl Liebknecht, was more serious than appeared at first. While there were no actual physical encounters, the attitude of the soldiers succeeded in forcing Chancellor Ebert to avert the issue by adjourning the Soldatenrat (Soldiers' council) until tomorrow. If the radical movement continues to grow, the present government may be overthrown.

The radicals gained courage for their demonstration yesterday from

ENTIRE PORTUGUESE CABINET RESIGNS

Lisbon, Dec. 17.—(Delayed)—The entire Portuguese cabinet has resigned.

INTERNED IN CASTLE.

Berlin, Dec. 17.—(Delayed)—Field Marshal von Mackensen, interned by the Hungarians, is confined with his entire staff in Count Karoly's castle at Poth, according to a dispatch from Budapest.

LUMBER-JACKS ARE BUSY IN FORESTS OF THE NORTH

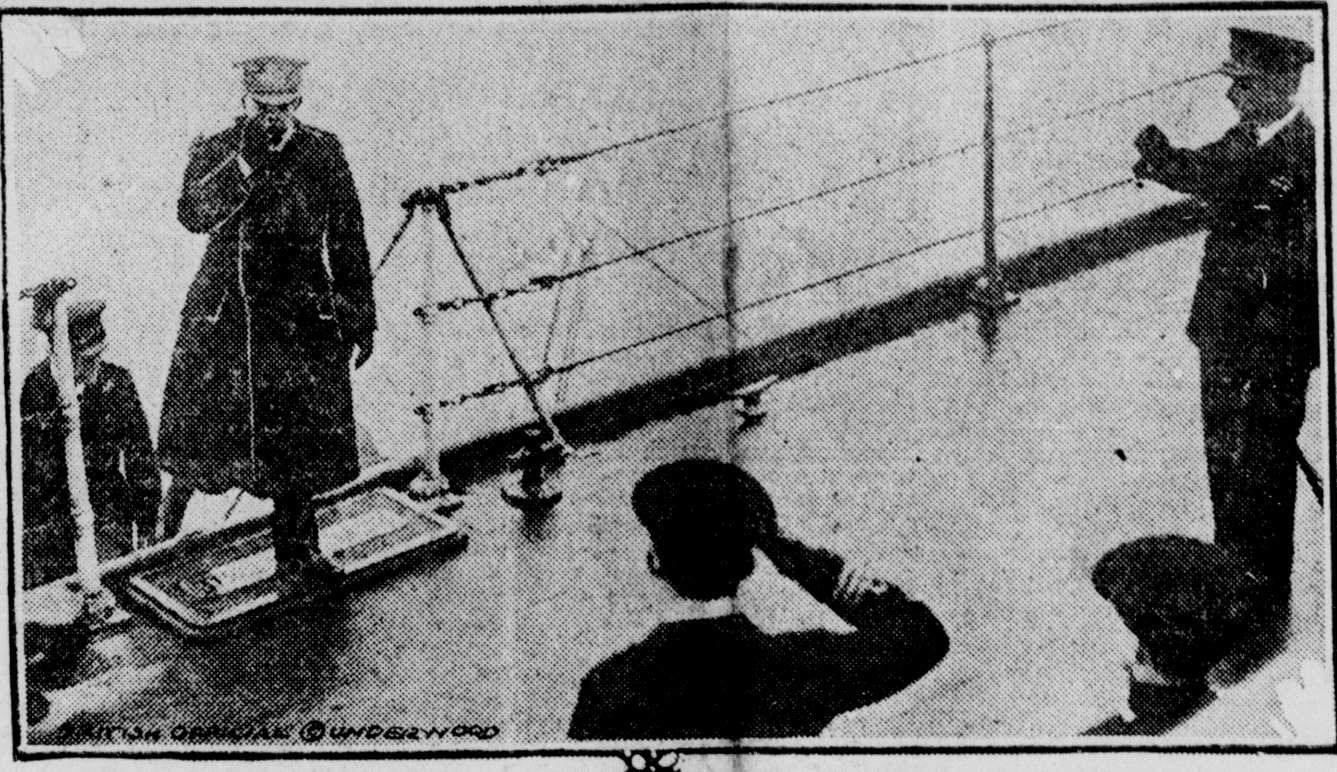


Winter-time is busy-time in forest lands. Only when the snow is on the ground are trees felled and drawn to water, so the white season is a feverish one. Logging companies bid against each other for the services of the fearless fellows—mostly Scandinavians and French Canadians—who follow the dangerous calling known as "logging." The felling of trees is no child's play. Strength is needed to swing the axe or thrust the saw; judgment and nimbleness are requisites when dodging a down-crashing giant; fearlessness and dexterity are essential when riding the logs down stream or breaking up a jam.

Logging camps are busy, interesting places. They are maintained by the various companies who operate in the woods, for bed and board must be furnished every worker. Enormous quantities of food are consumed by the husky men whose appetites are whetted by hard labor in the clear, keen atmosphere of northern woods.

Canada bids fair to soon have a monopoly of these lumber camps, for the logging industry in the States is fast dwindling. Take any given section in northern Wisconsin or Michigan where in the eighties or nineties flourished a dozen camps, today you will do well if you find two. The reason is that most of the standing timber there now is too far from

THE BEGINNING OF THE END FOR GERMANY'S NAVY



Admiral Meurer of the German Navy boarding H. M. S. Queen Elizabeth, Admiral Beatty's flagship.

SHIPBUILDING FACILITIES THE MOST POTENT U.S. WEAPON IN CONFERENCE

Paris, Dec. 18.—America's most potent weapons in the peace negotiations are its ship building facilities and its control of raw materials. It has become increasingly evident that these will be highly important in the conferences, from which President Wilson hopes to obtain concurrence in American ideals.

Great Britain, it is learned would like two-million tons of American built merchant ships, and France would like one-million. Both countries are eager to effect an arrangement for distribution of raw materials and assurances against overcharges.

All nations would appreciate nationalism of America's merchant marine and a share in our raw materials, thus ending America's virtual domination of the world's markets.

America's plans for building entente merchantmen and pooling raw materials will be withheld until the attitude of all countries toward the league of nations is definitely ascertained.

It should be constantly kept in mind that the President regards the league of nations as the most essential feature of the peace treaty.

American participation in the world's politics and commercial activities or return to our former isolation, will depend entirely upon the willingness of the entente to enter the league.

President Wilson is expected to show that the league of nations will eliminate the danger of one nation inflicting discriminatory freight rates against the others.

TOTAL NUMBER OF GERMANS KILLED IN WAR 649,000

Berlin, Dec. 17.—(Delayed)—The total of Germans killed in the war was officially announced today as 649,000.

THERE SURE IS

Columbus, Dec. 18.—There's one born every minute.

Guiseppe Uisic, 1955 South Parsons avenue, recently was the recipient of a "magic" box presented by two foreigners. The unsophisticated Uisic was led to believe that he could double his little fortune of \$1,100 by simply placing it in the box and leaving it in a dark room for 13 days.

The box was duly opened after 13 days of patient waiting, only to disclose that the cherished greenbacks had been converted into mere "scraps of paper."

Police are looking for the two foreigners and Uisic has gone into mourning.

U. S. MAY BE ASKED TO SETTLE UNSTABLE CONDITIONS IN MEXICO

Washington, Dec. 18.—The proposed league of nations may call upon the United States to settle unstable conditions in Mexico. This development was foreseen here today by men in touch with Mexican and American governmental affairs.

Great Britain may even ask that a stable government be established in Mexico without awaiting creation of a league of nations, some officials believe.

The recent Tampico clash, though of a minor nature; the raid on the Hilber ranch the outburst that makes travel in Mexico unsafe; and, above all, the squalor, poverty and disease long rampant in that country, are assumed as reasons for a clean-up.

The United States is keeping tab on the situation. The humanitarian principles laid down by President Wilson are regarded as likely ultimately to stimulate some action toward Mexico.

GIRLS ARE CLIMBERS

Tokio, Nov. 20.—(By Mail)—More than twice as many women and girls climbed Mount Fuji this season than in 1917—to be exact, 5,984 this year and 2,873 last. This mountain, 70 miles from Tokio and clearly visible here on clear days, is sacred to all Japanese, the mecca of pilgrims and the most familiar figure in Japanese art. During the season just closed, 68,580 men climbed Fuji, making a decrease of 1,628 from last year. official records state. The marked increase in female climbers is principally due to the increased popularity of mountaineering among girl students.

BRITISH SHIPS RELEASED

Hamburg, Dec. 18.—Fifteen interned British Merchant ships have been released and sent to England.

MILLION DOLLAR COMPANY

Chicago, Dec. 18.—A million dollar company has been formed here for trade with the Slavic races of Old Austria, it was announced.

CONFERENCE FOR PEACE PROMISES TO BE VERY HARMONIOUS

New York, Dec. 18.—A spirit of mutual accommodation is developing between President Wilson and the leaders of the European democracies, which now promises to result in a harmonious peace conference and the complete defeat of Germany's discordant ambitions.

The entrance of the United States into intimate discussions of European affairs has had a disquieting effect upon the nerves of Europe's statesmen.

It is becoming increasingly apparent however, that direct inspection of the young American Giant, in the person of President Wilson, is beginning to reassure the uneasy continental. They are gradually convincing themselves that it is not the purpose of America to run amuck in Europe, upsetting sacred traditions, and spreading fear and resentment among the populace.

Every American business man knows the difference between getting results by letter and getting results by personal contact. It appears as if the president of the United States and the Premiers of the allied powers are now bound for the same discovery.

REVENUE BILL MAY PASS BEFORE XMAS

Washington, Dec. 18.—Senator Simmons' hope that the revenue bill would pass the senate before Christmas today bade fair to be realized.

With unexpected rapid progress on the great \$6,000,000,000 measure, and apparently complete harmony among both party leaders, it seemed today as if the expected opposition and possible filibuster would never materialize.

ATTORNEY GENERAL BECKER ON STAND

Washington, Dec. 18.—Assistant Attorney General Becker of New York, will take the witness stand tomorrow at the resumption of the senate probe into German propaganda in the United States.

IT SHOULD PASS BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE

Washington, Dec. 18.—A resolution putting congress on record as favoring trial and punishment of the former kaiser was introduced in the house today by Rep. Darrow of Pennsylvania.

WILSON IS TO BE HONORARY PRESIDENT

Rome, Dec. 18.—President Wilson will be elected honorary president of the congress for a league of nations.

WANT BERNSTORFF AS FOREIGN SECRETARY

Amsterdam, Dec. 18.—The German government has opened negotiations with the various factions, with a view to appointing Count Von Bernstorff foreign secretary.

HID MONEY IN WOODEN LEG

Stuebenville, Dec. 18.—James Ross, arrested for intoxication and later released, was unable to account for a roll of \$210.

"Bonnie" Roberts, who makes his home in the county bastille a large part of the time, sent Sheriff Roberts \$50 to pay his latest fine. Becoming suspicious, the sheriff ordered "Bonnie" searched. The remainder of Ross' roll was found snugly tucked away in Roberts' wooden leg.

HOUSING OF U. S. SOLDIERS IN FRANCE IS A BIG PROBLEM

Paris, Dec. 18.—Probably the biggest problem the Young Men's Christian Association has to face in the city of Paris is the housing of soldiers who flock to this city in thousands for 24 to 48 hours' leave.

Every American boy who comes to France is eager to see the city of Paris, and the prices of accommodations at the French hotels is beyond the possibilities of their slender purses. The Y. M. C. A. has several hotels where they can go and for one franc a night can get a bed and a shower. Meals are served at cost.

The Pavilion is the largest of these hotels and as an illustration, the crowd that flocked in there the other night is a good one to be guided by. The hotel was full to overflowing. The other hotels in the neighborhood on the overflow list also were crowded to the limit. The office has a long list of rooms which French families will rent to soldiers. The list was exhausted. Yet the men kept pouring in.

Seventy-six men took off their coats, rolled them up, made them into pillows and slept on the floor of the "lounge room." At 11 all lights were out.

At 11:30 P. M., Miss Elizabeth Gilman, of Baltimore, Md., who has charge of the canteen service at the Pavilion, thought she would call it a day's work and go to bed. But just as she was starting up stairs, she heard a pounding on the door, and went to see what it was.

She opened the door to find 24 enlisted men, who had traveled 18 hours on a railroad train. They wanted cover for the night, and "for the love of Uncle Sam, sister, food of some sort." She let them in, went upstairs and called another canteen worker. Together they went into the kitchen and stole the bread that was hidden in the closets for morning. They found a key to the store room and dragged out canned meat to make into sandwiches. They started a fire in the stove and made hot chocolate, and the 34 boys were fed.

Then the two women went into the dining room with the tables all set and ready for breakfast, and cleared away these tables, and the men were only too glad to roll upon them and on the floor and sleep the sleep that only tired, war-weary soldiers can sleep.

This is the situation that the Y. M. C. A. meets from day to day, despite the fact that it is renting every available vacant hotel in the city.

PIPER IDENTIFIED BY THE PREACHER WHO MARRIED HIM

Indianapolis, Dec. 18.—That Milo H. Piper, held in connection with the murder of Frieda Weichman at Murkewagon, Mich., is the man who married Miss Weichman at Rensselaer, Ind., was the declaration today of Rev. Paul Cornick, who performed the ceremony. He made the statement after seeing a picture of Piper.

The accused man has contended that he did not marry Miss Weichman but that a "John Sheldon," using his name did.

SOLDIERS MAY RETAIN UNIFORMS AND OVERCOATS

Columbus, Dec. 18.—Get your army discharge recorded. This warning to soldiers now being demobilized was given today by Major W. S. Pealer head of the state draft headquarters.

Army discharge papers would be recorded with the county recorder. In case the papers are lost this precaution may prove invaluable, says Pealer.

CAPTURES A HUN FROM HOME TOWN

Ottawa, O., Dec. 18.—Albert Lammers, who lives near New Cleveland, Putnam county, captured several German prisoners single-handed in the closing days of the war on the western frontier.

Among them was a face that looked familiar.

"Say," said Lammers, "you look like a chap I used to know back in Putnam county, Ohio, in the days before the war. Never heard of Gus Goecke, who used to live on the De-fiance-Ottawa ridge, did you?"

"Bet your life, Al; I'm Gus," said the prisoner.

The "enemies" shook hands.

"I'm glad once more to face the good citizenship of Putnam county," said Goecke; "I'd rather be on your side, but we were forced to serve in this army."

Goecke returned to Germany some time before the war.

SALE DATES RESERVED

Dec. 19—Paul James.
Dec. 27—Geo. A. Birch.
Feb. 20—L. B. Stingley.

FRANCE LENDS TO WOUNDED POILUS

Paris, Nov. 18.—(By Mail)—France has provided a way by which her wounded soldiers, under certain liberal conditions, may borrow money at one per cent, for 25 years, to finance farming or gardening projects.

These persons may borrow, under the new plan, from real estate mortgage associations and agricultural loan associations;

Former soldiers and marines receiving pensions from the state for injuries or infirmities due to war.

Widows of such men, whose husbands died in service.

Dependents of soldiers, provided they are eligible to certain pensions or annuities and are eligible to insurance in laborers' and peasants' retirement fund.

The loans which mortgage and agricultural loan association are authorized to make to these persons are intended to benefit only those whose fortunes or health, or both, have been injured or retarded by the war, and whose means will not allow them to undertake the refinancing or reconstruction of their little properties in the usual way.

Hence, it is specified that the loans shall be authorized for acquiring, managing, transforming and reconstructing small rural properties, without regard to area, of which the value does not exceed \$1,930. The 25-year limit for completing repayment applies only to those who shall not be more than 60 years old when the last payment is due.

Terms of the loan are so arranged that the association making it cannot suffer any loss by reason of the death of the borrower. He must contract with the national insurance fund for payment of the unpaid balance in case of his death before payments are completed by him. But the borrower suffers no inconvenience by reason of this contract, as the insurance premium is paid all at once, and the amount of the premium, together with costs of negotiating the loan, is added to the amount borrowed.

The lending association also is protected against nonpayment of installments, as it is authorized to attach one-fifth of the annuity or pension unpaid, provided such attachment does not reduce the pension or annuity by more than half, or to a sum less than \$69.48.

The loan associations will receive advances of money from the government for the purpose of making this special class of loans for rehabilitating the men who have fought for France or the widows and children of such men. A special commission investigates each case, and upon its recommendation the minister of agriculture or the minister of social welfare makes the advances to the loan associations. No interest is required of the associations, but they are permitted to charge the borrower one per cent to cover the additional expense of operation imposed by this class of business.

In short, the government lends the money to the small farmer through the agency of the associations already established to be repaid in installments over a period of 25 years, and the cost to the borrower is nominal. Nobody is inconvenienced, and the repayment of the borrowed sums is sure.

The pensioned soldiers, widowed, or dependents who take advantage of the French government's offer are recommended to marry and rear families. The property on which the money is borrowed may be declared a homestead, giving the owner about the same rights that a "homesteader" settling on government land in the United States acquired in the land settlement days following the civil war. Unmarried persons taking a homestead under the new French plan must marry within three years, or any interested person may cause the homestead declaration to be set aside. For each child born to the homesteader the state will place to the credit of the borrower one-half of one per cent of the original loan every year. In other words, if the rehabilitated soldier has two children after making his new home, he will not have to pay any interest, and if he has more than two children the government will be paying him interest on the money he has borrowed.

The French law already is in operation and many wounded men or widows of soldiers are taking advantage of it to make a new start in the world.

FLUE MASKS MUST BE WORN IN MARION

Marion, O., Dec. 16.—Flu masks must be worn by employees and customers in all business houses here under drastic rules adopted today by the health board in an effort to stamp out the influenza epidemic. Saloons, churches, movies and clubs have been closed and all public meetings are prohibited. Strict quarantine of all patients has been ordered. One hundred and seventy-five deputies have been named to enforce the regulations.

SUES GERMANY FOR \$25,000 DAMAGES

HOUGHTON, Mich., Dec. 18.—The German government is today defendant in a suit for \$25,000 here.

Damages to that amount were claimed by Fred Milford, who was a passenger on the Lusitania, when she was sunk by a U-boat. Milford spent an hour in the water and most of the time since he has been living in sanitariums undergoing treatment for his nerves.

LOCAL ITEMS

Miss Elma Oldham and her room mate at Denison College, Miss Gladys Riggs, of New Jersey, are spending the Xmas holidays in Xenia at the Oldham home on the New Burlington pike.

For Sale — Coal Range, Heating Stove, two Gas Heaters and Doty Vacuum Cleaner. Bell 253-W. adv 12-18

Wanted — Pure — I will be at Mason's livery barn every Saturday buying fur. Highest price ever known for fur. Wm. Marshall, Cedarville, Ohio. Tues and wed tf

A special meeting of Aldora Chapter No. 262 Order of the Eastern Star will be held Thursday, Dec. 19, at 7:30 p. m. The officers for the coming year will be installed. Refreshments will be served.

GET IT AT DONGES.

The Women's Home Missionary Society of Trinity church will meet Thursday afternoon at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. Jewett, and not at the home of Mrs. Conner as announced. Mrs. Jewett's group will have charge of the meeting.

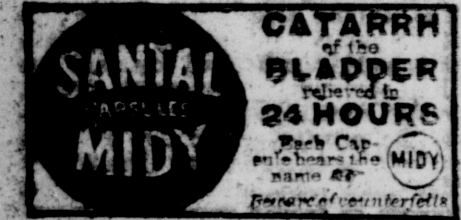
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WEATHER REPORT

Fair tonight, and Thursday; no change in temperature.

If you can't decide—give him a Criterion Gift Certificate. adv,12-23

Regular meeting of Phoenix Rebekah Lodge No. 74, Thursday, Dec. 19th. Dues collected. Bills. Sec.

Pyrex—at Babb means Best. adv,12-19

Mr. D. E. Donges left this morning for Lethbridge, Canada, to be with his brother. Mrs. Donges and baby daughter will join him later.

For Rent—Office room second floor of Gazette Bldg. Call at this office. 12-20

Silverware—at Babb means Best. adv,12-19

The funeral services for Mrs. Velma Linkhart will be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Elton Conklin on the Maple Corner road, at 1:30 p. m. Thursday.

Holiday Slippers from 75c up at Sanz's Shoe Store. 18-19-20adv

The date of the marriage of Miss Mabel Shaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Shaw, to John L. Leakey, has been set for January 2. Banns for the marriage of Mr. Leakey and Miss Shaw were called in St. Bridget's church last Sunday. Mr. Leakey is a well known and popular young brakeman on the Pennsylvania railroad. The engagement of Mr. Leakey and Miss Shaw was announced several weeks ago.

Manicure Sets—at Babb means Best. adv,12-19

Mrs. J. Kenneth Williamson, who has been in ill health for several weeks, has been pronounced to be suffering from typhoid fever, the attending physician having just diagnosed her case as such.

Let us tell you about our free sale bill proposition. Call at this office.

Pocket knives—at Babb means Best. adv,12-19

Mrs. John W. Dillencourt and her three children are expected here from St. Louis, the first of the week to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Broadstone. Mr. Dillencourt will join his family later in holiday week.

Subscriptions and renewals to other publications will be accepted this year as usual, at the Gazette and Republican office. We can make club prices on any magazines published, thus saving you time and money. 12-31

Members of the senior class of Central High school will be hosts and hostesses to the faculty Friday night, when they will entertain at a "stunt" party in the school library.

Flashlights—at Babb means Best. adv,12-19

Raymond Arthur Stafford, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. James Stafford of the Wilmington pike, died of pneumonia at 6:05 o'clock Wednesday morning, after six days' illness of pneumonia. The baby was born September 19, 1916. Surviving are the parents, a brother and sister, Albert and Thelma. Funeral services will be held at the home Friday at 10 o'clock.

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Lieutenant R. K. Finley, went on Monday night to Ft. Snelling, Minn., where he will be stationed. Mrs. Finley will not join him immediately, and remained over here as the guest of Dr. and Mrs. W. Finley. She will start tomorrow for Jackson, Mich., for the purpose of spending Christmas there with her mother, and will join her husband later.

Percolators—at Babb means Best. adv,12-19

Mrs. Albert Franks, of Bellbrook Ave., is seriously ill of pneumonia. She has been ill for three weeks and her condition is showing little improvement.

Toys—Large assortment to select from. Hutchison & Gibney. adv 12-17-18

Dr. and Mrs. N. T. Pavey and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Perrill will motor to Cincinnati tonight and visit the war exposition at music hall.

Accounts with Dr. Wilcox not settled before Dec 21st, will be left with an attorney for collection. 12-18

Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Ensign entertained a number of friends to dinner Monday evening, in honor of Mrs. Ensign's cousin, Miss Louville Garringer, who is leaving for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Glen F. Lowery, of St. Louis, Mo.

Carving Sets—at Babb means Best. adv,12-19

Miss Eva Rife and Miss Corda Reed who have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Junkin, R. 2, for the last few days, have returned to their home in Bowersville.

Your friends will appreciate your photo as a Christmas gift. Wheeler Studio. 12-16-17

Old ladies' warm lined shoes at Sanz's Shoe Store. 18-19-20adv

Miss Vivian Wiseman of Dayton, is spending a few days with Jane and Joel Clark of North Galloway street.

For his Christmas a Gift Certificate from The Criterion, issued for any amount redeemable any time. adv,12-23

Mr. and Mrs. J. Walker Gibney have rented the home of Mrs. J. O. McCormick on East Market street, for the winter, while their new home on North Galloway street, is being completed.

Practical Christmas Gifts for Men and Boys

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ROYAL WELCOME GIVEN HEROES OF FRENCH ARMY

Xenia paid a royal welcome to forty of France's heroes today.

The veterans of the French band, looking handsome and inspiring in their horizon blue uniforms, bringing a touch of romantic France to this little inland city, presented a pretty sight as they marched in review before the crowd that greeted them.

The band arrived from Springfield at 12 o'clock and was met by City Manager Kenyon Riddle and other officials by Major J. C. Wurm of the Home Battalion with the Home Band, and a detachment of Xenia's discharged soldiers, who were commanded by Lieutenant Forest Dunkle and Lieutenants Harold Whittington and Joseph Ray. About eighteen discharged local soldiers donned their uniforms again and added a little American military color to that provided by the soldiers of our great ally.

Major Wurm headed the Home Band, which led a short parade through the streets, the Home Band furnishing the music. Following the band was the detachment of local soldiers, their khaki presenting a striking contrast to the "horizon blue" of France's "blue devils," and following the American soldiers came the guests of honor, the French Band, led by Captain Gabriel Pares.

The coming of the Frenchmen gave Xenia an opportunity to witness the type of fighting men that stood like stone walls against the German attacks forty miles from Paris—all of them heroes and all of them decorated for some particular act of valor or courage before they were assigned to this work.

The French Band comes to the United States in recognition of the sisterhood of the two greatest republics on the globe, causing the old love between our nations to burn anew—a tribute from the Old World to the New. But there is another and more charitable purpose behind the coming of these French musicians. It is to give America the opportunity to help her sister country materially by liberal patronage of the band thus increasing the fund that has established the purpose of it—fund for the benefit of the Foyer du Soldat, the French Relief Fund for the Families of Soldiers.

This is a noble purpose and good old Xenia, that has contributed liberally to every form of war work whether it require the losing of the purse strings or not, will undoubtedly respond with a large representation at the concert at the Opera House tonight.

In order not to interfere with a prayer meeting which was previously arranged, the concert will start at 8:15 o'clock instead of at 8. Everyone is urged to attend, but children under fourteen years will not be admitted because of the danger of the influenza epidemic.

Mr. Paul Stiles who has been enjoying a fifteen day furlough at his home in this city has returned to Camp Jones at Great Lakes.

Toys—Large assortment to select from. Hutchison & Gibney. adv 12-17-18

Special meeting of the official board at the New Jasper Methodist church at 1 p. m., Friday. All members urged to be present. J. V. Robinson, pastor.

Holiday Slippers from 75c up at Sanz's Shoe store. 18-19-20adv

Meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Baptist church Friday at 2 o'clock at the church. All members urged to be present.

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OFFICIAL WORD OF SON'S DEATH IN FRANCE RECEIVED

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dignam, of Byron, received official confirmation Tuesday night, of the death from pneumonia of their son, George Edward Dignam, 24 years old, which occurred in France, October 22.

Two or three weeks ago, Mr. and Mrs. Dignam received a letter which had been commenced by their son Oct. 11, and completed later and addressed by a friend, who said that their son had died, and that he was with him when he passed away. No other information was given.

Mr. Dignam immediately took steps to learn the truth regarding the matter, and wired to Washington regarding it. The telegram bearing the sad news did not arrive until Tuesday.

Mr. Dignam went to Camp Sherman a year ago last September, and at camp volunteered to go to France as a truck driver in the quartermaster's corps. He sailed the first day of January, and had been engaged in truck driving ever since he arrived over there. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Dignam, surviving him besides his parents, is one sister, Mrs. Carl Furay, of Dayton.

Mrs. O. E. Painter who has been seriously ill with pneumonia is showing some improvement.

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LEVY FOR MOTHERS PENSIONS SHOULD BE INCREASED BY COUNTY

A meeting of unusual interest was held by the Social Service League in their rooms Monday evening.

President Riddle, the city manager, presided, and questions pertaining to Christmas needs and the caring for the poor, needy and sick were discussed. Every one, especially at this time of year, wants to do something to help the unfortunate and to express their love and sympathy for suffering humanity in some substantial and tangible way.

Miss Johnson, the city nurse, states that she would be glad to give in the name of needy persons, either children or aged persons, as one may wish, to whom a basket of provisions or a gift of any kind would be very acceptable and kindly received. This is an opportunity for everyone to be "A Good Fellow" and to do an act of real kindness on Christmas Day.

One of the greatest problems that the Social Service League has to solve, is, the steady maintenance of needy families, families of which the father is dead. The children can not be allowed to suffer, and as the resources of the League are very limited, it takes very fine management on the part of Mrs. Robertson, the Social Service worker, to make a little go a long way.

The Social Service is asked again and again, why Greene county does not provide for its Mother's Pension? Why are the counties around us putting us to shame on this question? Who is responsible for the shortage? Why is not the state law upon this subject enforced?

If the county would assume its share of the responsibility the Social Service would be able to supplement its work. But the Mother's Pension is not charity, nor are poor mothers of minor children objects of charity. The state owes this much to the coming generations to see that homes are not broken, nor children needlessly forced into institutions and the people of Greene County must see to it that their own mothers receive their just appointment.

The State of Ohio has provided by statute that the widowed mothers of minor children shall be paid a mother's pension, to maintain the home and family intact. The law provides that the mother shall receive \$15 for

BRINGING-UP FATHER



By George McManna

herself and first child and \$7.00 for each additional child. This year the county only set aside about \$3,000 for the Mothers' Pension Fund, and this amount did not suffice to pay any mother her full pension, nor to extend even a meagre pittance to all the mothers.

The Social Service decided to have their annual dinner very soon to which the public will be invited.

PORT WILLIAM

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Conklin, of Dayton, spent Saturday and Sunday here with relatives.

Mrs. Austin Cline, of Gunnersville, was buried here in Maple Grove cemetery, Thursday afternoon.

Powers Ship, has received an honorable discharge and was the first one of our soldiers to return home.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Senseman, Friday, Dec. 6th, a son, who has been given the name of "Paul Sales."

Mrs. Martha J. Ellis and daughter, Miss Velma and Dora, spent Sunday with Mrs. Millie Bone and family.

James Kiger and family, George Conklin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Kiger, of Springfield, spent Sunday with Mrs. Mary Conklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Mann and sons, Lawrence and John, of this place, and Mrs. Ella Adams, of Alpha, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Bond, of Dayton, Sunday.

Donald Ellis is working in the Simms Dairy in Wilmington.

THEATERS

Bijou.

Theda Bara has a part rife with emotional possibilities in "The Forbidden Path," which comes to the Bijou theater, Thursday. The production is a Theda Bara super production presented by that master-mind William Fox, and it is one of the best of that company's recent offerings. Besides Miss Bara there are Hugh Thompson, Sidney Mason, Walter Law, Florence Martin and others.

Orphium.

That pretty little colleen, Mae Murray plays the lead in the Universal special production "Modern Love." There is a striking plot used in developing this picture—offering and Miss Murray has attained her usual success in the piece. She is supported by P. McCullough, Arthur Shirley, Clair DuBrey, George Chesebro and others. The picture is at the Orphium Thursday night.

Lauren Shepherd, who enlisted in the Spruce division last February and has since been in the woods near Vancouver, Wash., has been honorably discharged, and is now at his home in this city.

Thank Heaven.

Kissing may have come down from the dark ages, but the blondes are not opposed to it.—Toledo Blade.

FESS IS TO HAVE OPPOSITION FOR THE SPEAKERSHIP

Washington, Dec. 18.—Republican leader James R. Mann today announced he would be a candidate for speaker of the house in the next congress. Congressman Fess has also been prominently mentioned as a candidate for the speakership.

SERGEANT SHOEMAKER WOUNDED IN FRANCE

Sergeant William Shoemaker was wounded in action September 13, according to official notice received by his father, John Shoemaker, of West Market street, Wednesday, from Adjutant General Harris. The telegram said that the degree of Sergeant Shoemaker's wound was undetermined, and because of the delay in reporting the casualty, it was hoped that by this time the soldier would have recovered and be able to write to his parents himself.

Optimistic Thought.

There is the greatest safety in those things that are the most honorable.

COLORED NEWS.

Memorial services will be held at the Third Baptist church this coming Lord's day, at 3:00 P. M., in memory of the late Mrs. Walter Shuecraft, under the auspices of the choir, Sunday school, Missionary society and B. Y. P. U. The choir will meet at the church this (Tuesday) evening, to make the arrangements for same. All members are urged to be present.

Read the Gazette want ads—they contain some interesting news every day.

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Heinz's Ripe Olives, can	15c
Olives Stuffed, man bottle	10c
Olives Stuffed, large jar	30c
Mixed Pickles, Heinz's, lb	20c

You Are Sure To Need For Your Christmas Baking

Fresh Citron, 1-4 lb	15c
New Currants, fancy, lb. box	38c
Raisins, seedless, box	11c
Mince Meat, None Such, box	14c
Mince Meat, Blue Ribbon, box	12c
Golden Pumpkin, Mother's Choice, can	9c

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Peaches, Yellow Cling, sliced in syrup, can	38c
Peaches, halves, in syrup, can	25c
Red Raspberries, fancy, can	25c
Logan Berries, in syrup, can	33c
Pineapple, Hawaiian Sliced, can	29c

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Honey, Pure, jar	30c
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Tomato Ketchup, bottle	15c
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Shrimp, can	15c
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Arbuckles Breakfast Coffee, lb	25c
Old Reliable, lb	26c

Heinz's Apple Butter, large jar	48c
Fancy Pork and Beans, can	19c
Fancy large Prunes, lb	22c
Prunes, Medium size, lb	14c

TEA

Young Hyson, 1-4 lb. package	19c
Imperial Tea, 1-4 lb. package	19c
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Lipton's Tea, package	10c

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UNBEATEN GERMANY.

In these Christmas days it seems out of place to have ugly thoughts about any one, and yet how can we help feeling indignant against the unconquered Huns who have brought such frightful tragedy of woe and sorrow, personal affliction and widespread devastation upon the world, and who yet feel wholly complacent and even braggart in their shamelessness for the wretchedness they have wrought.

Of what kind of material can they be made to show such heartlessness over the work of their own hands, and go on chipperly, cheerfully enjoying life as if their murderous work of the last four years had been but a holiday of satisfactory accomplishment toward a desired end.

They evidently feel jubilant that they got off so easy—joyous that their work of wantonness was perpetrated on their neighbors—and that none of it, or that of their enemies' offensiveness was on their own soil. It is scarcely to be wondered at that they feel so good, and yet how unfortunate, how disappointing to our soldier boys that the war ended before Foch's army was able to give them some of their own medicine. How richly they deserved it.

It is the law of God and man that the wrong-doer must expect punishment for his crimes—and yet, so far, how little retributive justice have we been able to mete to these barbarians. Practically none at all of the savage kind they have been unmercifully perpetrating on their neighbors.

A correspondent from Coblenz, on the Rhine, tells of its occupation by the American army, to take control—tells of how gay the theaters are with all the popular music filling the neighborhood air—and of how merry and festive everything is.

He says: "The more one lives in Germany the more one realizes this is an unbeaten, unrepented people. Despite the undoubted sufferings of the poor, the middle and upper classes can get all the food they want by paying for it, and the crowds of well-dressed men and women which throng the brightly lighted cafes afford conclusive proof that the stories of food shortage in Germany were less than half true. Yesterday clanging church bells proclaimed the falsity of the reports that all bronze and copper had been melted down for munitions and supplies.

"Although the time since we crossed the Luxembourg frontier and entered Germany proper is not sufficient to form a matured opinion of political conditions, there is one fact which stands out like a sore thumb, and that is Germany is unrepentant and unashamed. I spoke to many civilians, men and women, and have yet to hear a single word of regret for any atrocities committed by the German armies or the German submarines. Rather is there pride in the achievements of frightfulness, and quite manifest is the belief the world has been impressed by what Germany has done in the last four years.

"Shop windows display photographs of the retreating German army as it passed through two days ago, showing the men bedecked with flowers and every lorry decorated for Christmas. The Germans all speak with proud affection of their 'unbeaten army,' and many of them dream of a future great republic in Mittel-Europa, which will comprise all German-Austria and surpass in population, wealth and power the late German empire."

Origin of "Yankee."

It is said the term "Yankee" originated with the Indians when they were in alliance with the French colonists against the English. They were unable to pronounce the French words "Les Anglais" and pronounced the words "Yankee" which gradually took the form of "Yankee." When the English abandoned the country the Indians made no distinction between the former colonists and the English themselves, and the term clung to the Americans.

Naval Names Perpetuated.

Few of the famous British regiments still bear the names under which their early battle honors were won, but the navy—whose record of fame dates from a much earlier period than the army—has consistently followed the policy of perpetuating her famous names. The name of a famous battleship is handed down to a capital ship, while a famous frigate or sloop is perpetuated in a modern gunboat or light cruiser.

THE "PURE GOLD" OF HUMAN LOVE FOR THE SORROWING.

A number of years ago I sat in the assay office of a mining company in Colorado, when a miner or prospector came in with a lump of rock about as large as a man's head, and said to the man in charge of the office: "I want you to make a test of this ore." The assayer took the rock, broke it up with a large hammer, gathered the pieces up and put them on a large steel table, and pounded them into fine dust. He then gathered it all up carefully, put it on another steel-faced table, and with a heavy roller rolled it until it was pulverized. Then he gathered it all up carefully again, put into a crucible and put the crucible into the furnace and closed the door.

We sat and talked for nearly an hour, when he got up and opened the furnace and looked in, closed the door again, and we talked for nearly another hour. When he again opened the furnace, he took the tongs, reached in and took out the crucible and set it on an iron table. It was red hot when he took it from the furnace. He next took a hand-bellows and blew the dust and ashes out of the crucible. After the crucible had cooled he said to me: "Come over and see how much gold there was in that rock." I went over and looked into the crucible, but could detect nothing. I said, "Is it all gone?" "No," he answered, and taking a small pair of tweezers he reached down into the bottom of the crucible and picked out a small piece of gold about half the size of a pinhead. "That is what was in it," he said, "but that is pure gold." That was all that came through the pounding, the rolling, the crushing and the fiery furnace, but it was pure gold!

In the great world conflict across the seas, God Almighty has taken the so-called Christian civilization; German "Kultur" and German ideals of civil government, militarism, autocracy; and also the principles of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, as expressed in the teaching of the hundred and one different Christian denominations, both Catholic and Protestant; and he has thrown them into the crucible of world war. Out of this furnace of fiery trial will come only that which is pure gold. After the furnace has done its work, with the breath of His mouth, through the bellows of His purified church, Jesus Christ is going to blow away all the dust and ashes and dross, the false ideals and teachings of men on both religion and civil government. Only the pure gold of the Gospel, truth, justice and righteousness will be able to stand the test of that consuming fire.—Rev. W. A. Hutchison.

INVITATIONS OUT FOR HOLIDAY DANCES

Clever invitations have been issued for the coming two dancing parties, which will be given at the K. of P. Hall during the holidays. The invitations read: "We solicit your patronage to our private Holiday Dancing Parties, Christmas, December 25, '18—New Years, January 1, '19. Knights of Pythias Hall. Those in charge—Leon Smith, Walker Whittington, Richard Fav, Alfred R. Arnold and Raymond A. Higgins." Elaborate plans are being made by the committee to make these dances the prettiest of the annual holiday affairs and young people are showing much interest in both events. An original and talented orchestra from Springfield has been secured, and nothing is spared to make the dances most delightful ones.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Some of the young folks here have received invitations to a dinner to be given at the home of Senator S. W. Durlinger, at London, Dec. 26. The affair is in honor of the Misses Florence and Lillian Durlinger.

Mr. Clarence Herr is in the prevailing style and has a full fledged attack of the gripe which has temporarily laid him off duty.

Fred Maddux, who has been attending school at Culver, Ind., is home for the holidays, looking fine as a fiddle in his military suit.

V. Rigio and sons, the well known musicians of Springfield, are here in attendance at the Farmers' Institute.

The citizens of Jamestown are very much interested in their gas project. A derrick which is 75 feet in height has been erected and looms up in the air in a manner to make the Jamestowners exceedingly happy. The work of drilling will be begun this week.

The Wilberforce students are all being vaccinated and there are a good many sore arms. Several hundred students have been vaccinated.

The many friends of Mr. Al Criste, who was operated on for appendicitis, will be glad to know that his condition is now somewhat improved, and it is hoped that he will get along all right.

During to bad weather attendance at the opening session of the Farmers' Institute was small. Mr. Robert E. Corry, the president, is ill, and Mr. James Crawford is taking his place.

The citizens of Yellow Springs are much concerned as to the outcome of the small-pox scare. Only one case of the disease has developed so far.

"THE WIFE"

BY JANE PHELPS

RUTH ASKS HER AUNT TO VISIT HER.

CHAPTER CXVII.

Brian had gone.

This was the only thing of which Ruth was capable of thinking. He had gone away, perhaps to be killed. She might never see him again, and—she had not told him the wonderful news.

Suddenly she recalled what she had overheard on the telephone. He had been talking to someone—presumably a woman, as she had heard a woman's voice. She wondered if it were Mollie King. All at once her jealousy, everything she had held against Brian, seemed of little moment. She must reach him and tell him—she had no right to let him go unless she did so.

She hunted up Mollie's number in the telephone and called her. It took her some time to get an answer, and when she did, she thought Mollie's voice sounded as if she were crying. A sort of nausea came over her as she thought of what she should say; to think that she should call her husband at another woman's home to tell him such a thing. The reaction was too much for her, and she quickly hung up the receiver, then sank upon the floor in an agony of spirit, and sobbed out her misery, her love and her longing until Rachel, hearing, came and put her to bed.

The next morning the postman brought her a hastily scribbled note from Brian: "Don't fret, Ruth. Everything will come out right. I am just going aboard, and will give this to someone to mail. I shall love you every minute, and shall write you as often as I can. Brian."

Ruth read and reread the short note, finding comfort in spite of its brevity. Then as she idly turned the envelope over she saw it had been mailed at one of the terminal stations over two hours after Brian had left her.

Had the man carried it around in his pocket, or had it been posted as soon as Brian gave it to him? How she wished she knew. But now she never would know. She'd probably die, and then Brian would be free, she thought, with an hysterical burst of self pity.

But she must not give way to her feelings. She must work and save, against the time when she would be idle. So she dried her eyes and was at the shop at the usual time.

Mr. Mandel remarked upon her paleness. She told him that she had not slept, that Brian had gone very late the night before—gone overseas. She did not understand the look which swept over his face; it seemed as if he were glad of something—but it was gone so quickly, and in its place came the sympathetic expression she knew so well.

"We must not let you be lonely now that he is gone," Mandel said, after a moment. "He is very fortunate to be young enough to fight."

"Yes—he thought so."

That night Ruth wrote her aunt a long letter. She told of Brian's going, also she told her the secret she had withheld from him. Then she said: "When you can arrange your affairs for an absence, won't you come and stay several weeks, or months if you will, with me? I am very lonely. I shall be more so. Please come, Aunt Louisa. I need you more than anyone else in the world needs you. I shall look anxiously for a letter telling me you will come—and when."

After she had posted this letter Ruth felt better. There was comfort in the thought that there was someone who cared; someone who would be interested in her. And there was Arthur Mandel. She recalled the sympathy expressed in his face when she had told him she was to be alone now. She must take good care of her health, not fret any more than she could avoid, so that she would be able to return to work as soon as possible after her baby came—the child of whom Brian knew nothing, and which, because of the sound of Mollie King's voice, she had not told him.

But unable to longer restrain herself, because of her longing for understanding, she told Rachel. The old nurse patted and fussed over her to her heart's content. She begged her to give up her position and remain at home; but Ruth laughed at her, and told her that she should go mad at home with nothing to do but think of Brian so far away.

The submarine menace was growing hourly, and she had that fear to add to her sorrow. Longingly she scanned the papers for news. Then one morning she received the card saying they had arrived safely "Somewhere at a French port."

That night Ruth knelt down and thanked God for his safety, and prayed that he might come back to her.

To-morrow—Ruth Goes Out With Her Employer.

Taking Our Share.

In life it is as it is in armies; there is a share of hardship for each one. "Each man shall bear his own burden." This is part of the discipline of life and it only makes confusion when any refuse to take their share. It is the wide distribution of the burden of society upon many different shoulders that makes the world's work go forward even as smoothly as it does. One man who will not take his share of hardship is an enemy of all willing workers.

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Feverish Headaches and Body Pains caused from a cold are soon relieved by taking LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. There's only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on the box. 30c.

CAPT. DARLINGTON DETAILED FOR DUTY ON GERMAN SOIL

Captain C. L. Darlington has been detailed for duty with the American army in Germany. In a letter just received by his wife he stated that he had been ordered to Great Headquarters and from there to a special school for a month, after which (about the first of December) he leaves for Germany to do special work with the army of occupation. He was at Great Headquarters when General Pershing was decorated with the distinguished service medal and was in Paris when the armistice was signed. His old division, the 86th, is now being broken up and part of it is being sent home. Extracts from his letter follow:

Somewhere in France, November 20th.

I will commence my story with my arrival in Paris. Left Bordeaux the morning of November 10th, Sunday. On the train I met Capt. O'Quin of a M. G. Co. We reached Paris late at night. It was impossible as usual to get a taxi. Arrived at the Grand Hotel. I walked to the Grand Hotel. After I had consigned my baggage we could not get a room there, so hired a taxi and went to at least twenty hotels, all the prominent ones, without success. Finally we got a very nice room with two beds, bath, with hot and cold running water, at the Louvois. It is a fine hotel, probably a family hotel, and is situated on a little square about half way between the Grand and the Rue de Rivoli. In the morning we walked to the Grand for breakfast, then went over to the American Express Office to cash some checks. A Y. M. C. A. secretary was in line behind me. He said he couldn't understand the French people, they were so peculiar. The armistice had been signed that morning and they were hardly celebrating at all. It was then about ten thirty and he was soon to experience the surprise of his life. He talked about how in America we would have the bands out, etc.

You will remember the hostilities were to end at eleven that morning. Well promptly at eleven bedlam broke loose. More people than you would have thought were in France suddenly appeared from somewhere, all carrying the flag of some nation. From every window sprang from one to ten flags and all new. You could hardly see the buildings for the flags. Sidewalk dancing commenced. There would be maybe six girls and six soldiers—three French, one British, one Australian and one American. They would form a circle and dance around with one in the center. This didn't last long however, for soon there was not space on the sidewalks or street.

Every taxi and conveyance of every kind was loaded to the guards, and then came the big American army trucks loaded with males and females of every race. In the afternoon Capt. O'Quin and myself sat in front of one of the hotels for several hours and watched the crowd pass. The Place de la Genardi was a black mass. It was an indescribable scene. In the afternoon the Australians put their flag above every other. No matter where an English, French or American flag was seen some Australian climbed up and put his above it.

In the evening however it was different, and our flag was everywhere, above all others. I never dreamed of so many people, so many flags. Such a mixture of people, and such absolute pandemonium. It is said to have been the most spontaneous and greatest celebration ever seen and I believe it.

My address is now Capt. Charles L. Darlington, Capt. Inf., American E. F. France, A. P. O. No. 902. I expect to be in Germany with the 1st, 2nd, 26th, 32nd, 42nd. (Rainbow Div.) for the purpose of getting statistics about the men to be used on demobilization. Expect to start early in December or possibly before.

CHARLIE.

Toad's Good Service.

The toad is useful because of its diet. No less than 83 specimens of insects, mostly injurious, have been proved to enter into its dietary. George W. Hunter says: "A toad has been observed to snap up 128 flies in half an hour. Thus at a low estimate it could easily destroy 1,000 insects during a day and do an immense service to the garden during the summer. It has been estimated that a single toad may, on account of the cutworms which it kills, be worth \$19.88 each season that it lives."

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Everyday Etiquette

"I am to be best man at my brother's wedding but don't know what to do to fill the duties of the occasion," remarked Jack.

"You should act for your brother in all possible ways. See that the clergyman gets his fee just before the ceremony is performed, that the legal arrangements are properly made, that the ring is not forgotten and that the flowers for the bride and her maids are delivered on time. You arrive with the bridegroom fifteen minutes before the time for the ceremony and enter beside him at the appointed time. Your position is at the side of your brother until after the benediction and then you walk out with the maid of honor," said his father.

MOTORAIDS

The greatest racing drivers the world has ever known, slow down on the turns on the track. They do that because they know how to get the utmost out of their steeds. I cannot figure out why some passenger car drivers do not use the same good judgment. How much easier and more economical it would be to allow the motor to slow down the car itself. This method would save much gasoline and oil, will lengthen the life of the brakes and will work no hardship on the engine.

Cigar Boxes.

Cigar boxes are chiefly made from red cedar, which is grown in central America, Mexico and the West Indies.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Hutchison*

FOR SALE SECOND HAND AUTOMOBILES

All makes and models
Prices Right.

SUTTON AUTO
SALES AGENCY
Cor. Main and Whiteman.

Give Footwear For



This Year!

You can not select a gift that will be appreciated more than one from our stock of Holiday Footwear.

Shoes For Women

All the new styles, in colors or black, low or high heels. Prices.—\$5.00 to \$12.00—

Shoes For Men

All the latest styles in Black or Brown, English or Broad toe styles.—Prices \$5.00 to \$12.00—

Christmas Slippers

For Men, Women and Children. Felt Comfy Slippers in a large assortment of colors. Leather slippers for men in Black or Tan. Cunning novelty styles in Children's Slippers.

See Our Slipper Show!

MOSER'S

SHOE STORE
The Christmas Store
JOIN THE RED CROSS

THE QUICK WAY TO STOP A COUGH

When you have a severe, stubborn cough or cold, you need the best possible medicine you can get. Why not, therefore, get one which is guaranteed the most soothing and satisfactory remedy ever used, or get your money back? Druggists everywhere are authorized to refund money if SCHIFF-MANN'S EXPECTORANT is not found the very best ever used for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Croup, Whooping Cough or Hoarseness. When mixed with home with honey or sugar syrup, 50 cents worth makes 64 teaspoonful. Positively contains no chloroform, opium, morphine or any other narcotic, and is unlike any other cough medicine. It is so pleasant to take that children are fond of it. In case druggists should not have it order direct of R. J. Schiffmann, St. Paul, Minn.



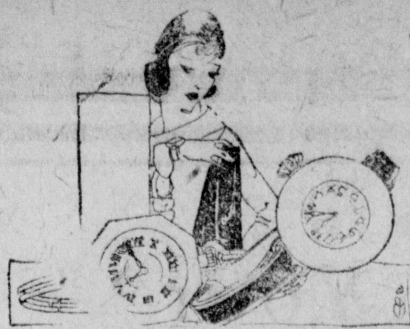
The spirit that hits your heart around Christmas Eve and Christmas morning—that carefree happy thoughtfulness for your neighbor, relatives, strangers, friends—can be made to live throughout your home all the year 'round—a little music will do.

Music and happiness are one. That's why we invariably whistle or sing when our hearts are at ease and happiness holds full sway over us.

A piano in your home or a Grafonola will make every day Christmas Day for you and all the family.

SUTTON MUSIC STORE

Cor. E. Main and Whiteman Sts., Xenia



GIFTS

An idea gift should represent quality rather than quantity, and with this in mind we have selected a line of gifts that are sure to please.

The success of this store is through the reliable class of goods handled, due to the years of experience in the jewelry, diamond and watch business.

A gift from the CHARTERS' JEWELRY STORE is sure to please as it represents quality.

J. Thorb Charters

THE JEWELER.
Established in 1854. 44 East Main St.

ORPHIUM TO-NIGHT

The Lure of Luxury

Bluebird Five Reel drama featuring RUTH CLIFFORD and an unusually strong cast. A gripping story of Love, Money and human Weakness.

THE LION'S CLAWS.

In two reels featuring MARIE WALCAMP and an all star cast.

TWO—BIG FEATURES—TWO

THURSDAY NIGHT

"MODERN LOVE."

A special attraction featuring Mae Murray, P. McCullough, Claire DuBrey and an all star cast. Story where men about town play the game of love as they do poker.

"Lyons-Moran" Star Comedy, one Reel.

"Pathe News" one-Reel Feature. —S. R. O. Come Early

BIDOU

TO-NIGHT

"Her Only Way"

Select Five Reel Drama featuring Norma Talmadge, supported by Eugene O'Brien and a superb cast. Torn between what she considers duty to home of her father and love for a poor man, the girl at last finds "HER ONLY WAY."

"SCARS and BARS"

Two Reel L-KO Comedy to start the show.

ADMISSION 15c

WAR TAX TWO CENTS

THURSDAY

MATINEE AND NIGHT

William Fox presents THEDA BARA in a Theda Bara Super Production

"The Forbidden Path"

Do Two Wrongs Make a Right? After being abandoned by her lover, Mary Lynde seeks vengeance on the author of her wrongs.

"Freight Investigators"

One Reel Mutt and Jeff Cartoon Comedy by Bud Fisher.

ADMISSION 15c

FRIDAY and SATURDAY—Billie Burke in "EVE'S DAUGHTER."

CITY FILES SUIT IN SUPREME COURT IN WATER CASE

The city of Xenia has filed suit in the Supreme court of Ohio against the Ohio Public Utilities commission asking that the water rates for the city of Xenia, granted the Xenia Water Company, be lowered. After the water rates for Xenia were established by the utilities commission the city filed a petition with the utilities commission asking for a rehearing. This was refused and it was then decided to take the case to the Supreme court.

Under the rates granted the Water company the city's annual water bill will be about \$16,000. In the past it was \$6,400 and the city had a hard time paying even that amount. Now with an annual charge of \$16,000 and a back bill of \$20,000 the city is absolutely swamped. This year's bill and the back bill total \$36,000. The city's annual income for all purposes, outside of sinking fund, is only \$35,000. Surely the problem of paying a \$36,000 bill with \$35,000 and paying all the city employees besides is a delicate question.

City Solicitor Finney and W. L. Miller are attorneys for the city.

XENIANS ATTEND STATE CONFERENCE

The Ohio State Conference of Charities and Correction is in session in Columbus, with a splendid program.

On Tuesday there will be the addresses by James L. Fieser, director of civilian relief, Lake Division, American Red cross.

Fred C. Croxson, chairman, Labor and Industrial Relations Committee.

On Tuesday there were address speakers are: John A. Lapp, "Social Insurance in Ohio." L. H. Wier, "Community Service at War Camps." Mrs. Helen T. Woolley, "Vocational Training in Public Schools." Dr. Henry T. Goddard, "The State Program for Juvenile Research." Mrs. Julia C. Lathrop, "The Baby Year."

Among Thursday's speakers are: Gov. James M. Cox, W. Frank Persons, "Red Cross at Home," Douglas McMurtrie, "Restoring the Physically Handicapped to Self Support."

On Thursday forenoon there will be a special session on Red Cross Home Service, closing with a luncheon.

Miss Johnson, Mrs. Snodgrass, Mrs. Robertson and J. W. Hedges are the Xenia delegates to the convention.

INFLUENZA CAUSES DEATH OF YOUNG BOY

A victim of influenza, William Laurence Batdorf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Batdorf of two miles East of Osborn died at his home there Monday morning.

The young man was 16 years of age and was a Sophomore in Mad River High School at the time of his illness and death. He is survived by his parents and four sisters and one brother. They are, Misses Mabel, Velma, Marjorie Florence and Paul. Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at the late home and burial will be made in the Mennonite cemetery.

FORMER XENIA WOMAN DIES OF INFLUENZA

Friends received word Tuesday of the death of Mrs. Milton Gross (nee Jessie Schneider) of Springfield. Mrs. Gross lived in Xenia until a year ago when she moved to Springfield. Her death was caused by influenza. She was 25 years of age, and leaves three children. Thelma, aged 5; Carroll, three and one half years of age, and Shirley, one and one half years of age, and her husband. She also leaves her mother and father, one brother, and a sister. Funeral services will be held at the home, Thursday morning at 10:30.

LEARNS OF MOTHER'S DEATH IN SCOTLAND

Because of increased cable traffic on account of the war, Alexander Finley of this city, did not learn of his mother's death in Scotland, until six weeks after she passed away.

A letter telling of her demise in the old home of Mr. Finley in Scotland, has just been received by him. It explained that it was impossible to cable because of the use of the cables for war purposes. Mr. Finley had not seen his mother for fourteen years.

Study Writers of Today.

Now although our fathers—it must be confessed—tried harder than we to write prose; although to our age belongs that rampant substitute which I once denounced to you as jargon; nevertheless it were, as I hold, a folly to hedge off good writing of our day and bid you fasten your study upon remote masterpieces. Admire them, study them, by them improve your style. But improve it also by studying how good writers today are adapting it to express what men and women think and do in our own time. For we belong to it.—From "Studies in Literature," by Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch.

GOOD HOUSEKEEPERS USE BEST. That's why they use Red Cross Ball Blue. All leading grocers, 5 cents.

EAST END NEWS

Sister Mildred Lowery, of Cincinnati, Gospel Evangelist, is preaching at Wesleyan church. Special sermon Thursday night. Text "Dry Bones in the Valley." The public is invited.

Samuel Taylor, the drayman, who has been sick with influenza for the last few weeks, is not improving very much.

Mr. Howard Finley, prominent young business man of Dayton, in company with Mr. B. D. Smith, were guests of Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Allen, Sabbath.

Mrs. Lenora Garrett, who has been ill for the past week, is now able to attend to her work at the office of Johnson and Harris, funeral directors.

Mr. Edward Brooks of Washington, D. C., dropped in on his old comrade and intimate friend, Joseph Gaines,

last Saturday evening. He stayed over Sunday and left Monday morning for Cincinnati, to visit two brothers who reside there. Mr. Brooks and Mr. Gaines enlisted in the Civil War on the same day at Portsmouth, Ohio, and after one week's stay at the Columbus barracks, were sent to the front where they remained until the end of that struggle. They were mustered out of service on the same day and have kept up a fast friendship through correspondence ever since. This is the second time in fifty years that they have seen each other.

Mrs. Marie Knight is ill with the influenza. She and her husband both have had the malady, but Mr. Knight is now able to be out.

The likeness of Ben Spaulding, a Dayton colored man, and the following article concerning his \$4,000 W. S. S. sale record appeared in Sunday's Dayton News:

"Ten thousand deferred registrants on September 15 pledged themselves

to dispose of \$100 worth of War Savings Stamps each.

Among these ten thousand men banded together for the purpose of doing their share in winning the war, was Ben Spaulding, a young colored man from Lebanon, Ky.

Spaulding, who is the colored employment agent at the Aetna Paper Company, has a remarkable record. In addition to performing his regular duties, which consume practically all of his time, he has patriotically worked every spare moment and sold thousands of Thrift Stamps and War Savings Stamps.

In one instance he sold the limit to each member of a family 800 War Savings Stamps. This \$4000 sale places Spaulding in top position, not only among the colored race in Ohio, but so far as can be learned, in the entire United States.

He has been presented with a state medal which he proudly wears as a unique distinction. Spaulding says:

"It was a pleasant duty, and I was glad of the opportunity to serve my country and at the same time offer the colored people of Dayton an opportunity to do a patriotic and profitable thing. They have invested liberally in War Savings Stamps, first because they are patriotic and second because they know there is nothing to equal this United States government security, paying 4.27 per cent interest, and they can get their money back any time at the post office. However, I am glad to say, that none of my customers are withdrawing their money from Uncle Sam's treasury."

The colored race in Dayton is, and should be, proud to number Ben Spaulding among their number."

Mrs. Alice Johnson of East Church street, is very sick with pneumonia. She has been ill for four weeks and doesn't seem to be much improved. Her advanced age is not very favorable for her to withstand the disease.



The Christmas Joy Store

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

Hutchison & Gibney

All your Christmas shopping can be done here—pleasantly, satisfactorily and economically. Here are tremendous stocks of useful Gift Goods. Every bit of it is reasonably priced.

Here is a partial list of the numerous articles you will find in our extensive line.

Gifts for Women

Aprons, white lawn	25c to \$1.50
Art Goods novelties	25c up
Bags, Velvet	\$5.00 to \$12.00
Bags—leather	\$1.00 to \$10.00
Bar Pins	25c to \$1.00
Beads—strand	50c to \$6.00
Blouses	\$1.00 to \$15.00
Boudoir Caps	59c to \$1.00
Brushes—Hair	50c to \$2.00
Bungalow Aprons	\$1.50 to \$2.50
Camisoles—Silk	\$1.00 to \$3.00
Corset Covers	50c to \$1.50
Corsets	\$1.00 to \$10.00
Collar and Cuff Sets	50c to \$2.00
Coats	\$12.75 to \$100.00
Fur Muffs	\$5.00 to \$75.00
Fur Scarfs	\$5.00 to \$75.00
Gloves—Chamoisette	59c to \$1.50
Gloves—Kid	\$2.00 to \$3.75
Handkerchiefs, boxed	29c to \$1.00
Handkerchiefs, each	5c to \$1.00
Hose—Silk	50c to \$3.00
Hose—Silk Lisle	25c to 75c
House Dresses	\$1.89 to \$7.50
Ivory Manicure Pieces	25c to \$1.00
Kimonos and Negligees	\$1.00 to \$15.00
LaVallieres	\$1.00 to \$7.50
Night Gowns	\$1.00 to \$5.00
Petticoats—Silk	\$3.50 to \$6.00
Petticoats—Sateen	\$1.50 to \$3.00
Perfumes	35c to \$1.00
Purses	\$1.00 to \$6.00
Slippers—Knit	50c to \$1.15
Stationery	25c to 75c
Sewing Baskets	50c to \$5.00
Sweaters	\$5.00 to \$15.00
Suits	\$22.50 to \$75.00
Skirts	\$5.00 to \$22.50
Traveling Bags	\$2.50 to \$22.50
toilet Preparations	25c to \$3.50
Umbrellas	\$1.50 to \$6.00

GIFTS FOR MEN

Buff Links	25c to \$1.50
Gloves—Kid	\$1.75 to \$3.00
Gloves, Woolen	50c to \$1.50
Hosiery—Lisle	25c to 50c
Hosiery—Silk	75c
Handkerchiefs—Initial	15c to 50c
Handkerchiefs—Plain	5c to 50c
Helments—Wool	\$3.50
Night Shirts—Muslin	\$1.00 to \$2.00
Night Shirts—Outing	\$2.00
Pajamas	\$2.00
Sweaters	\$7.50 to \$15.00
Suit Cases	\$2.00 to \$12.75
Traveling Bags	\$2.25 to \$23.50
Umbrella	\$1.50 to \$5.00
Union Suits	\$1.50 to \$4.00

GIFTS FOR BABY

Baby dresses	50c to \$3.00
Bootees	25c to 75c
Coats	\$2.50 to \$6.00
Bonnets	\$1.00 to \$2.00
Hosiery	25c to 50c
Mittens	25c, 35c and 50c
Sacques	50c to \$2.00
Sweater Sets	\$5.00 to \$6.00
Shoes	75c
Wool Sweaters	\$1.50 to \$3.50

GIFS FOR THE HOME

Auto Robes	\$12.50 to \$18.00
Alladin Aluminum Ware	\$1.00 to \$7.50
Art Pottery Ware	85c to \$7.50
Bath Rugs	\$1.25 to \$2.50
Blankets	\$2.75 to \$13.75
Carpet Sweepers	\$4.50 and \$4.75
Cedar Chests	\$16.00 to \$30.00
Comforters	\$4.50 to \$6.75
Community Silverware	
Curtains, pair	\$1.00 to \$6.75
Electric Irons	\$6.50 and \$7.00
Electric Percolator	\$11.50
Fireless Cooker	\$38.00
Gas Irons	\$3.50
Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets	
Mattresses	\$10.00 up
Matting Boxes	\$3.75 to \$9.50
Pillows, pair	\$1.50 to \$3.00
Pillow Cases, hemstitched, pair	\$1.75 to \$2.25
Ranges—Gas	\$29.50 to \$76.50
Ranges—Coal	\$47.50 to \$100.00
Rugs—Room size	\$18.00 to \$75.00
Reed's Granite war	50c to \$4.85
Sheets, hemstitched	\$1.75 and \$2.25
Stoves—Gas	\$13.75 to \$25.00
Stoves—Coal	\$23.25 to \$45.00
Thermos Bottles and Lunch Boxes	\$2.75 to \$7.50
Trunks	\$15.00 to \$28.00
Turkish Towels	25c to \$1.50

Hutchison & Gibney

HEARD FROM OUR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

The following letter was written by Sergeant Henry Farrell on Nov. 18th. Under the existing conditions, a move is fraught with all kinds of rumors. But only two things are possible—either we move forward or backward. If we go forward it means occupation of evacuated territory. If we move back, it may mean police work, sanitary work, labor—"chores" about the docks, or a base port for the trip home—the last nothing but the wildest dream. Such are the rumors that fly from battery to battery, through regiments and the whole brigade.

With the "heavenish" parish of St. Biddy's, which I hear from many sources hasn't held forth at the prescribed hour for many weeks, I will feel perfectly at home when I return. Yesterday was the first time we had the chance to attend mass for months and months. We had to walk four miles to get there. In a little old wooden building, sadly the worse from shells and Hun abuse, we found Father O'Connor. There's a whole gang of "Northside" Chicago dough-bangs near, and several companies of

them marched over. Talk about "micks!" I never saw such a collection in my life. All of their officers came along with them. A "left-footer," (Irish) they said, wouldn't have much luck in their outfit. News of "fini h' Guerre" must be playing some peculiar pranks with the folks back home. One of our boys got a cablegram this morning from home reading somewhat like this: "Let us know time of your arrival. Will meet you at any port." For Lord's sake, don't you folks get all hysterical about me, for the leaves may have fallen again before we sniff the breezes of Hoboken. Some one has to stay over here for a long time, that's sure, and if the precedent of the past is carried out, the "selects" will come in for all the candy.

Before this I should have voted my approval of that idea of sending a stick of gum in the mail. It's a great idea, as "chicle" is mighty hard to get over here. In return, I am sending you a stick—of powder. It was taken out of the bag of powder which sent our last shot over the Germans at 10:51 A. M., 11-11, '18. It won't explode by concussion, and is not dangerous to handle. If burned in the open air, it goes up slowly with a brilliant flare, like celluloid. We often have lighted our "fags" on them, so I'm not sending you an infernal machine of any kind. I might say, incidentally, that it was reported by our observers that the last shot killed four Germans who were emerging from a building in the shell-egg town.

Everything over here is quiet as a church mouse. It seems mighty queer, too. For years we have associated France with all kinds of war, confusion and desolation. And all our experience up until a week ago today was hazy and dangerous. Now everything is changed. There is no civilian population in this section, and now it seems as if everything had died. It's almost like a cemetery.

We were so far up here in the wilds that we didn't get even an echo of the celebrations that took place in the big cities. I guess they had them in the states, also. We used to get pretty good service from the daily papers of Paris, but we haven't seen one for weeks.

Oh, yes, by the way, for goodness sake, tell mother that really and truly, and honest-to-gosh, and everything else, that my mail has been coming regularly, as well as ALL the papers, and everything. She expresses such fond hopes for these in every letter.

DON'T SPOIL YOUR CLOTHES. Use Red Cross Bar, Blue and Keep them white as snow. All grocers.

IT IS TIME TO MAKE MENTHO-LAXENE SYRUP

Anyone Can Make a Full Pint of Laxative, Curative Cold and Cough Medicine Cheaply at Home.

Everybody is subject to colds and coughs at this season. Be prepared! Have on hand a full pint of Mentho-Laxene Syrup that checks and aborts colds, relieves coughing and gradually brings permanent relief. The full and best benefits are derived if you begin taking it at the very outset of a cold of cough—because you can check or abort the cold—and save many hours of distress and perhaps ward off pneumonia and other serious results of a neglected cold.

Mentho-Laxene is pure, contains no opiates or narcotics. It is pleasant, penetrating, healing and curative beyond any preparation you can buy ready made. Full directions and guarantee are with every bottle of Mentho-Laxene. It will more than please you or The Blackburn Products Co., Dayton, Ohio, will refund your money.

Hundreds of thousands of bottles of Mentho-Laxene have been sold and not over 50 people have wanted their money back. That tells how good it is. adv

JAMES GAINES DIES AT AGE OF 90 YEARS

James Gaines, aged 93 years, a native of Ross township, Greene county, and one of the wealthiest land owners of Illinois, died Monday night at his home near Ridgefarm, Ill.

Mr. Gaines was a son of Captain Alexander Gaines of this county. With his five sons, Captain Gaines went to Illinois in the early fifties and bought several hundred acres for each of the young men, paying \$3.50 an acre for it. That same land is now worth from \$250 to \$300 an acre, and James Gaines, who just died, had increased his holdings until he owned about 5000 acres. His brothers, all of whom are dead with one exception were also large land owners.

Mr. Gaines is survived by his widow, who was his second wife, two daughters, Mrs. Mary Grace and Mrs. Rosa Woodard, and a brother, Jonathan Gaines, of Illinois. Mrs. Estella Holt of East Main street, is a niece of the decedent, and frequently visits at his home. Allen McDorman of Selma, and Willis McDorman of Jamestown, are nephews of Mr. Gaines.

Ukraine Region.

Ukraine—From the Russian and Polish "Ukraine," meaning the frontier, which includes the extensive frontier region between Poland and Russia, forming the districts of Kiev, Chernigof, Podolsk, Kharkof and Poltava. The region is watered by the Dnieper, which intersects it in a winding course from north to south. Black soil overlies the Ukraine territory, which produces two-thirds of all the cereals grown in the whole of Russia. The Ukraine takes leading rank in most other natural resources of Russia.

A CHILD GETS CROSS, SICK AND FEVERISH WHEN CONSTIPATED

Look, Mother! If tongue is coated clean little liver and bowels.

If your little one's tongue is coated, it is a sure sign the stomach, liver and bowels need a gentle, thorough cleansing at once. When your child is cross, peevish, pale, doesn't sleep, eat or act naturally; if breath is bad, stomach sour, system full of cold, throat sore, or if feverish, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the "logged-up," constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food will gently move out of the bowels and you have a well, playful child again.

Sick children needn't be coaxed to take this harmless "fruit laxative." Millions of mothers keep it handy because they know its action on the stomach, liver and bowels is prompt and sure. They also know a little given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which contains directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine made by "California Fig Syrup Company."

THE BOCKLET-KING CO.

PLUMBERS AND MACHINISTS

475 W. Main Street

Valves Pipe and Fittings

Loth Phones

MERCHANTS OF XENIA VICTIMS OF ROBBERIES

Express robbery on a wholesale scale that has been bothering local merchants for several months, but is particularly vicious now, is arousing many merchants to action in this city.

Losses in stolen goods shipped by American Express have run into hundreds of dollars in some cases and in other cases goods delivered is ruined for sale and damaged. The continued stealing has been going on all fall and while all cases have been reported the robberies have not abated in the least. It is believed that the thefts have been perpetrated at junctions and points of transfer along the line. Few Xenia merchants are immune from the express thief, but C. A. Weaver is one of the hardest hit merchants, his losses running into several hundred dollars. According to Mr. Weaver hardly an article came in by express during the last few months but what had been tampered with and part or all of the contents pilfered.

The stolen goods included silk shirts, hats, caps, underwear, socks, and other wearing apparel. Probably the most recent theft was the loss of \$108 worth of Manhattan silk shirts consigned to the Criterion clothing store. Other losses have been noticed by this concern. The Katz clothing store has been a heavy loser in a series of thefts that cover several months, one of the latest losses being the theft of a half dozen ties. Higgins & Phillips were victims of the thief to the amount of \$55.

At the Sohn drug store one box of a shipment of Johnston candy from Milwaukee was entirely empty, about \$50 worth of candy having been taken from the box and the box then nailed up and delivered empty. In pilfering the candy the thief showed his utter disregard for Uncle Sam, when he split the lid through the middle of the sign reading: "Warning. This shipment is in United States custody while in transit. Ten years in Federal prison is the punishment for tampering with or pilfering." The sign had been split through the center.

That the thief is a musical chap, may be deduced from the fact that several different consignments of sheet music being shipped to the D. D. Jones drug store had been opened and quantities of the music stolen. On another occasion, the thief opened a shipment of rubber goods to the same store and stole two hot water bottles. Merchants have reported the thefts to the local office of the express company, and a general investigation is being conducted, which it is hoped will break up the thieving.

Local merchants have been victims of minor thefts before, but they have never had to face a similar experience of systematic thieving such as this has been.

FATHER OF A. J. TAYLOR IS DEAD

Charles Taylor, a well-known farmer of near Jamestown, died very suddenly at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, death being due to heart trouble. He had apparently been in good health and his death came as a great shock to his family and friends. The deceased was 66 years of age.

He is survived by six sons and three daughters, four of whom, Jesse, Lester, Nellie and Emma lived at home with their father. The other children are as follows: A. J. Taylor of Xenia, Hiram of Highland Falls, N. Y. and Bob and David of Cedarville and Mrs. Russell Chapman of near Cedarville.

Life of Fruit Trees.

Of our fruit trees, the pear is the longest lived. They will bear for 50 years and a few hardy veterans a quarter of a century longer. Apple trees range in age from twenty-five to forty years, while twenty-five years is about the limit for plum trees. Raspberry and blackberry bushes live from six to fourteen years, currant bushes twenty years and gooseberry bushes ten years. —People's Home Journal.

STOMACH OFF—BUT GAINED TWENTY-FIVE POUNDS IN TWO MONTHS.

Mrs. G. Followed the Advice of a Friend and Took Pepsinco.

For many years Mrs. G. suffered with indigestion. She could get no help. She doctored and took almost every remedy friends would suggest, but got little relief. She lost in weight till she was apparently nothing but skin and bone. What she ate caused misery and pain. She would bloat and was seldom without headache. Nothing agreed with her. She would get up with a bad taste, coated tongue and a feeling of dizziness. The sight—the odor of savory foods nauseated her. She passed the day in misery and went to bed tired, worn-out and hungry.

A friend finally prevailed on Mrs. G. to try Pepsinco, which she did. A small package proved to her that it was what she needed. In two months time she gained her normal weight and gives credit to Pepsinco.

Somewhere In Your Neighborhood

There is a grocer who makes a leader of KRUG'S BREAD. Why does he do this? His profit is no greater on this popular bread. The logical answer is this:

He knows that it gives the greatest measure of satisfaction and he appreciates the value of a satisfied customer.

Krug's Bread

Butternut or Holsum

Has come back very much better than ever before. We suggest your trying

The Big 15c Loaf

Not only will its tastiness appeal to you, but it is so economical.



Concerning Snakes.

Poisonous snakes have diamond-shaped heads about four-times larger at the jawbone than at the neck, according to World Wide Magazine. They also have blunt tails. Non-poisonous snakes have sharp heads, which are nearly the same size as the neck, and sharp tails. All snakes, however, are poisonous during the "shedding" period of seven days. They go blind two days before "shedding."

A QUANDARY.

The Lover: Well! Guess I'll toss up whether Mabel gets her engagement ring or I put myself around five ice-cream sodas!



Doing Right.

Everything on earth has its price, and sooner or later we pay for all that we have. When we complain that doing right takes so much toll of effort, sacrifice, and the loss of what we call "success," we have only to look about us to see that evil-doing is more costly still. Its demands may come in on the installment plan, but they will be all the more exorbitant because of that.

Mrs. Austin's delicious Buckwheat cakes, Good honest, three pound package—twenty-five cents.

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Range in first class condition. Can be used for wood, coal or gas. LeRoy Wolf, Bell 396. Citizens 473. 12-20

FOR SALE—We are offering for quick sale the H. H. Eavey farm, consisting of 141 acres, located 2 miles from the Court House on the Wilmington pike. Good dwelling and good barn. Cow barn and silo. Fences in good condition. 50 tons of water. Large sugar camp and farm in high state of cultivation. Anyone looking for a good all round farm, in splendid location, cannot afford to miss this one. For further particulars call or write, Long & Marshall, Gazette Bldg., Xenia, O. 12-20

FOR SALE—Second hand clothing at 168 Hill street. 12-20

FOR SALE—Rhode Island red pullets and hens. Cypher incubator and brooder. Quick sale. A. L. Wheatcott, R. No. 3 Xenia. 12-20

FOR SALE—White Plymouth rock cockerels. Also Poland China 12-20

FOR SALE—Turkeys for Christmas. Citizens phone 4-837. 12-19

FOR SALE—Property on Burlington pike, 1 1/2 miles out. 4 room house, out buildings, garage, large blacksmith shop, 1 acre good truck land. Good well. Call on G. W. Hull, Xenia, Ohio. 12-25

FOR SALE—1918 model Ford touring car. A one condition, new tires, copper radiator, Stromberg carburetor, shock absorbers. Mrs. R. A. Wilcox. 12-19

FOR SALE OR RENT—65 acre improved stock or dairy farm. C. C. Turner, Wilberforce. Citizens phone 3-807 or Bell 1908-R-12. 12-16

FOR SALE—2 good coal heating stoves. Earl Short, Bell 944-R. 12-18

FOR SALE—Large bone barred rock cockerels. Price reasonable. Call Bell 4015-15. Mrs. Frank Johnson. 12-18

FOR SALE—Two year old Duroc Jersey male hog, extra good. Orin Grif. No. 93357. Citizens 2-818. 12-18

FOR SALE—Eight fat snouts, weigh about 100 pounds, call Citizens phone 21-801. 12-18

FOR SALE—Stoves. See John Harbine, Allen Building, for good used ones. Both phones. 12-20

FOR SALE—Ford 1 ton truck, with light rack. Also 5 passenger Ford touring car, both in good running order. Bell phone 33-W Bellbrook. 12-21

FOR SALE—300 lb. fine seed oats. Call R. Mangum, Bell 1011-W-1. 12-23

FOR SALE—Single Comb Rhode Island Red Cockerels. Mrs. Vertley Lewis, Rural 6, Xenia, Ohio. 12-23

FOR SALE—Buff Rock Cockerels. Call Bell phone 4902-4. 12-18

FOR SALE—New White sewing machine, cheap. Call 126 Columbus Street. 12-18

FOR SALE—Duroc male pig, eligible to register. Paul Glass, Citizens phone 2-815. 12-18

FOR SALE—Shropshire ewes, 20 yearlings, seven lambs. E. S. Davidson, 362-W-3 Bell. 12-18

FOR SALE—Non-pareil Barred Plymouth Rock Cockerels. Schaefer Bros. and other leading strains. Special prices until Jan. 1st. J. H. Lackey, Jamestown, O. Citizens phone 4-70. 11-25-17

FOR SALE—Pure bred Barred Plymouth Rock Cockerels. Call John C. Spahr, Jamestown, O. Citizens phone 2-67. 12-18

FOR SALE—All kinds of cook stoves, wood or coal, also gas ranges and gasoline stoves. All kinds of stove repairs. Andy Pridel second hand store, Third street, two doors west of Detroit. 4-8-17

REAL ESTATE

FARM, sixty acres, good improvements, near Xenia. \$5000. Harbine, Allen Bldg. Telephones. 1-11

FARM Near Dayton Traction, 165 acres, fertile, highly improved. Ideal location. \$27,500. Ask particulars. Box 157, Xenia, Ohio. 1-10

FARMS For Sale. Good 60 acre farm \$7000. Lots of others. Call and see me. Harbine, Allen Bldg. 1-3

REAL ESTATE and loans; notes bought. John Harbine, Jr., Allen Building, Xenia, O. 9-11-17

TOM C. LONG—Real estate and insurance. Will buy or sell your property, or loan you money. It will pay you to see me. Office in South Detroit St. Gazette Building. Both phones. 6-117

JOHN W. PRUGH, "The Real Estate Man," will buy or sell your property. Money to loan. Twelve years of successful business. A square deal. Office No. 6 North Detroit St. Both phones. 6-117

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—On street Monday, lower plate of false teeth. Please leave at Gazette office.

FOUND—A Beagle found about a year old. Owner can have same by calling Bell 6989.

FOUND—Pair of nose glasses on Maple street, Tuesday afternoon. Call at Gazette office.

LOST—About two weeks ago a fan belt between Miami Ave. and Main street. Please return to Police Headquarters. 12-18

LOST—Large red hound, Saturday night, near Powder Mills on Springfield hdk. Call Bert Kretzer, Depot Restaurant. Bell 791-R. Citizens 2-8. 12-19

PUBLIC SALES

Have your sale announced FREE in this column early, so that you may claim your date and others will stay off of it. These ads are run every day and are gratis with the largest display advertising. We also furnish sale bills without charge. Let us tell you about it.

PUBLIC SALE—Dec. 19th, 10:30 a. m. at J. M. Paxson farm, 2 1/2 miles N. of Trebleus, 2 mi. S. of Byron, 5 mi. N. W. of Xenia on Fairground road—30 head cattle, 60 hogs, 42 sheep, 1 1/2 dozen roasters, 30 tons mixed hay, farm implements, Aug. Mouk & Weikert, Clerk, A. D. Kendig, N. C. PAUL JAMES.

PUBLIC SALE advertising in the Gazette and Republican bring the crowds. In the days of automobiles, the farmer has no time to stop along the road to read sale bills. He is coming to depend upon these papers to tell him of the sale. The sale articles to be offered for sale. It's the buyer from a distance who sees ad in this paper, who jumps in to his auto and rushes to your sale, who pays what your stuff is worth. Your neighbor no longer can stand around and pick off what he needs at an absurd price, as he does when you have not properly advertised, and gotten a good crowd. Use the Gazette and Republican if you want the worth of everything you offer. Don't try to save on your advertising.

PUBLIC SALE—Dec. 27th at 10:30 a. m. at my farm on Fairfield pike, 5 miles north of Xenia, three miles east of Byron, 1 mile northwest of Old Town. 1 horse, 8 head cattle, 60 head P. C. hogs, feed and grain, chickens, household goods and farm implements. Mouk & Weikert, Auctioneers, J. E. Sutton, N. C. GEO. A. BIRCH.

WANTED

WANTED—Reliable representative in county to introduce WATER CHASER, the new and wonderful water-proofing compound for waterproofing shoes, tents, clothing and auto tops. Address White-VanEtten Co., Dept. W, Sidney, Ohio. 12-24

WANTED—Reliable man to represent Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. Good salary and commission. Unexcelled opportunity. State age and past employment. Address Mr. Barrow, Grand Hotel. 12-21

WANTED—Woman for housework. Two in family, steady place, 727 S. Detroit St. 12-19

WANTED—Small place in country of about 2 to 4 acres. Pay cash rent, in advance. Address F. H. case Gazette. 12-18

WANTED—Salesman at Engelman's. Will pay good salary for experienced man. 12-18

MISCELLANEOUS

BLACKSMITHING—M. L. Blanton, rear of Ervin & Davis feed store. Horse shoeing \$1.50, \$1.80, \$2.00. 12-24

CEADARVILLE Cottage of three rooms for rent. \$5.00 monthly. Harbine, Allen Building. 12-23

STOVES, Furniture, Overcoat, Harness, Sewing machine, for sale. John Harbine, Allen Building. 1-8

NOTICE TO FARMERS—I am prepared to do butchering on your farms, cattle and hogs. Reasonable rates. Call on Harbine, Home phone 129. 12-24

\$3000 LOAN Wanted on first mortgage on farm. Will pay seven per cent. Box 157, Xenia, Ohio. 12-19

PAINTING, Varnishing, Also floors, a specialty. Seth A. White, 323 E. Third St. 12-9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20

FORD Covered Delivery Car, like new. \$350. John Harbine, Allen Bldg. Telephones. 12-31

GASOLINE ENGINES for sale. New three H. P. 70. John Harbine, Allen Bldg. 1-3

GOOD second hand heavy and light harness. John Harbine, Allen Bldg. 1-3

GENERAL AUCTIONEERING—Allison Bros., Cedarville, O. Citizens 12-20

FISHBACK'S New and Second-Hand Store, 635, 637, 638 E. Main. Buy and sell clothes, stoves, furniture, Carpets, etc. Citizens phone 4-341.

DEAD STOCK WANTED—We will pay positively the highest prices. Prompt attention given to all calls. The George Spencer Fertilizer Co., Bell 471-R. Citizens 20. 8-24-17

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Light housekeeping rooms. Address X. X. care Gazette. 12-18

FOR RENT—Office room second floor of Gazette Bldg. Call at this office. 12-20

FOR RENT—Three room apartment. Mrs. Rowland, 127 W. Main St. 12-19

FOR RENT—Rooms. Call 572-W Bell phone. 12-19

FOR RENT—Six room house with gas. Bell phone. G. G. McClain. 12-19

Sheriff's Sale

State of Ohio, Greene County, ss.

Pursuant to command of an order of sale in litigation, issued from the Court of Common Pleas of Greene County, Ohio, and to me directed and delivered, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the west door of the Court House in the City of Xenia, Greene County, Ohio, on

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28TH, A. D. 1918,

at ten o'clock A. M., the following described lands and tenements, to-wit:

Situate in the County of Greene, in the State of Ohio, and in the township of Xenia, bounded and described as follows: Being lot number nineteen (19) of Hartley and Fulton's Home Park subdivision of 7.93 acres of land as the same is designated, numbered and known on the plat of said subdivision, recorded in plat record, Vol. 2, page 77, of the recorder's office of said Greene County, Ohio.

Second Tract.

Situate in the County of Greene, in the State of Ohio, and in the township of Xenia, bounded and described as follows: Being lot number 18 of Hartley & Fulton's Home Park subdivision of 7.93 acres of land as the same is designated, numbered and known on the plat of said subdivision, recorded in plat record, Vol. 2, page 277, of the Recorder's office of Greene County, Ohio.

The above described premises were appraised at sixty-one hundred dollars (\$61,000.00).

The above described premises are located on the north side of West Third street in the City of Xenia, Greene County, Ohio, and house number 138.

Terms of sale—One-third cash on day of sale. One-third in one year, and one-third in two years, from date of sale. Deferred payments to be secured by mortgage on the premises sold, notes to bear 6 per cent interest, or all cash, at the option of the purchaser.

The above described premises to be sold by order of said Court in case number 1831, wherein A. Jane McMahon is plaintiff and Corydon Heath, et al are defendants. Sold free of dower.

F. A. JACKSON, Sheriff of Greene County, Ohio.

W. F. Trader, Attorney for the Plaintiff. (11-27, 12-4-11-18-25)

XENIA MARKETS

XENIA GRAIN AND PRODUCE

Corn, per bushel \$1.30
Wheat, per bushel65c
Rye, per bushel \$2.12
Baled Timothy Hay \$25.00
Mixed Hay \$24.00
Clover Hay \$18.00
Clover Seed \$14.00
Straw \$7.00
Eggs, retail52c
Eggs, wholesale57c
Butter, retail 70c
Oleomargarine, retail 40c
Oleomargarine, wholesale 34c
Spring chickens, wholesale 18c
Spring chickens, retail 25c

XENIA LIVE STOCK

Corrected daily by Fawcett & Son.

HOGS

Hogs, 200 lbs up \$16.25
Light hogs \$15.50 to \$16.00
Sows \$14.00

CATTLE

Good heifers \$12.00
Shipping steers \$7.00 to \$7.50
Cows \$5.00 to \$6.50
Bologna cows \$4.50 to \$5.00
Veal calves \$14.00
Lambs \$12.00
Sheep \$8.00

XENIA LIVE STOCK

Corrected daily by Muller Bros. and Peterson.

HOGS

Hogs \$16.50
Sows \$15.00
Stags \$12.00

CATTLE

Shipping steers \$9.00 to \$10.00
Butcher steers & heifers \$7.00 to \$8.00
Cows, fat \$6.00 to \$6.50
Bologna cows \$4.00 to \$5.00
Veal calves \$14.00 to \$15.00
Spring lambs \$15.00
Sheep \$10.00 to \$8.00

SHEEP AND LAMBS.

Lambs \$12.00 to \$14.00
Sheep \$8.00 to \$10.00

DAYTON MARKETS

Oats—70c per bushel.
Rye—\$1.45 per bushel.
Wheat—\$2.13 per bushel.
Corn—\$1.70 per cwt.

HOGS.

Choice heavies \$17.25
Select butchers and packers \$17.25
Heavy Yorkers \$17.25
Light Yorkers \$14.00 to \$15.00
Choice fat sows \$14.00 to \$15.00
Common to fair sows \$13.00 to \$14.00
Stags \$10.00 to \$12.00

CATTLE.

Bologna cows \$7.00 to \$9.00
Good to choice heifers \$5.00 to \$6.50
Good to choice butchers \$10.00 to \$12.00
Calves \$17.00
Fair to medium butchers \$10.00 to \$12.00
Choice fat cows \$3.00 to \$3.50
Bologna bulls \$3.00 to \$4.00
Fair to good shippers \$13.00 to \$15.00
Good to choice butchers \$12.00 to \$14.00

Daily Thought.

The burden which is well borne becomes light.—Ovid.

Notice of Appointment

Estate of John A. Fields, deceased. Effie Townsley has been appointed and qualified as Administratrix of the estate of John A. Fields, late of Greene County, Ohio, deceased. Dated this 29 day of November A. D. 1918. J. Carl Marshall, Probate Judge of said County. adv. 12-1-11-18

Notice of Appointment

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HAVE YOU BECOME A REAL PARTNER OF OLD UNCLE SAM

Somewhere, some time during these various Liberty Loans and the war excitement you listened to the singing of "America."

And bared your head as did thousands of others from coast to coast and from the lakes to the gulf.

But just what did "My Country" mean to you?

Merely that you happened to be born here? Live here? Make a good living or have a prosperous business here?

Only that and nothing more?

Did you have the feeling of the man who shouldered a rifle and marched into the trenches? Who mounted an airplane and went playing hide and seek with death in aerial combat with a Boche hospital bomber? Who served on the mosquito fleet and spent nerve-racking months chasing U-boats?

Did you take off your hat because you thrilled to the call of country or simply because you didn't want to be an exception in a crowd?

And getting right down to brass tacks what have you done for that country? Where has your service been? Soldier? Sailor? Airman?

Or have you become a real partner with Uncle Sam? Buyer of Liberty Bonds, War Savings Stamps, and contributor to his various war aids?

If you've done none of these things "My Country" can mean nothing to you, and baring your head is only hollow mockery, the rankest hypocrisy.

And if you haven't done anything for your country to date for the sake of your own self-respect, your conscience, your future peace of mind, get busy.

Make a real investment in America. Become a stockholder in truth. Make "My Country" carry some significance.

Get ready for the next Liberty Loan and buy a block of stock in the world peace movement.

Next time you can take off your hat and not feel sorry for yourself.

SOME IMPORTANTANCE.

"That looks like a man of some importance."

"Yes, I should say so. He's just been pardoned for good behavior. He's a bank wrecker, if you please."



A reliable cold tablet. Pleasant to take and guaranteed. Remember it.

NEW BURLINGTON

Mrs. Oscar Taylor and two children of near Xenia, were guests a few days recently of her father, Wm. Ewing and daughter, Miss Lulu.

Mrs. Nora Harvey and Miss Florence Wood spent Saturday with Dayton relations.

Mrs. Jesse Hawkins was called to near Wilmington Saturday on account of the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Hartman.

Miss Ethel Curry is recovering from an attack of influenza, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Jones west of town.

Mrs. Eunice Peterson of Springfield, spent Saturday with her son, James Peterson and family.

Mrs. Thomas Conklin, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McIntire and son are recovering from influenza.

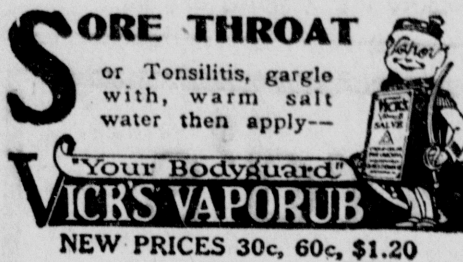
Mrs. Sarah Harlan of near Harveysburg, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Thomas Haydock.

Frank Hansell is spending the winter with his children, near Springfield.

Robert Stanley and family of Beechgrove, spent Sunday with Wm. Compton and family.

Speaking of Birds.

When little Willie's ma used to tell him she had been informed of his misdeeds by a bird, Willie probably had misgivings that either ma was prevaricating in a good cause or the tale-bearing fowl was a lyre bird.



NEW PRICES 30c, 60c, \$1.20

DON'T LET A COLD KEEP YOU AT HOME

Dr. King's New Discovery almost never fails to bring quick relief

Small doses once in awhile and that throat-tearing, lung-splitting cough soon quits down. Another dose and a hot bath before jumping into bed, a good sleep, and back to normal in the morning.

Dr. King's New Discovery is well known. For fifty years it's been relieving coughs, colds and bronchial attacks. For fifty years it has been sold by druggists everywhere. A reliable remedy that you yourself can rely on. It's the only family remedy that's safe, 60c and \$1.20.

Train Those Stubborn Bowels Help nature take its course, not with a violent, habit-forming purgative, but with gentle but certain and natural laxative, Dr. King's New Life Pills. Tonic in action, it stimulates

The Brunswick TONE--

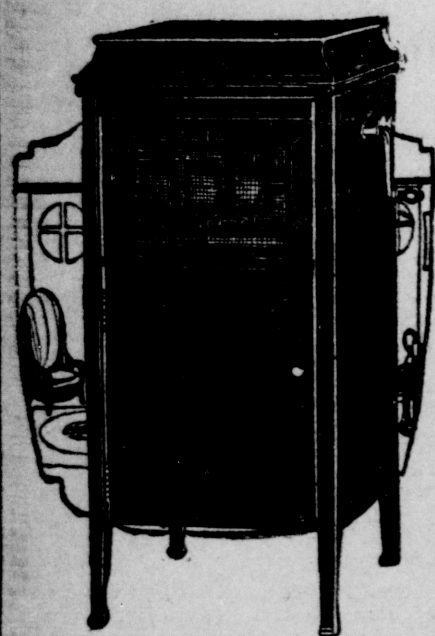
Such As You
Surely Want

Let tone decide which phonograph you buy. Listen to different instruments; ask to have different makes of records played on each machine.

The Brunswick plays all records at their best. Old style phonographs limit you to but one make of records.

You will find the Brunswick Method of Tone Reproduction, with the Ultona and the new all-wood Tone Amplifier, the finest and most advanced yet devised.

Hear The Brunswick today. We abide by your decision.



This Model \$90
Easy Terms If Desired
Open Evenings.

Brower's
Furniture Store
36-38 W. Main St. Xenia

WM. G. McADOO IS SUED IN GREENE COUNTY COURTS

Mrs. Clara J. Downes, as widow and administrator of Michael J. Downes, who was killed while in the exercise of his duties as a brakeman for the P. C. C. and St. L. Railway Company last August 17, brought suit Wednesday to recover \$35,000 damages, because of his death.

William G. McAdoo, as director general of railroads, is named as defendant in the action. This is the first time that a suit of any consequence has been brought against a railroad company in this county since the railroads have been under government control.

The petition, which was filed for Mrs. Downes by Attorneys Marcus Shoup and J. Kenneth Williamson, recites that the defendant negligently maintained, on the right of way of the P. C. C. and St. L. Railway company, a short distance east of the old baggage room and telephone office in this city, between its Cincinnati track, and the middle track or track number forty, an iron standpipe or water crane. That this stand pipe or water crane was less than 15 inches from the side ladders of cars passing on the middle track, and of such insuffi-

cient distance from the said tracks and cars that it was not reasonably safe to defendant's conductors and brakemen to be on the sides and side ladders of freight cars, and that its position rendered the middle track an unsafe place to work.

It avers that while in the exercise of his duties, and while using ordinary care, Michael J. Downes was carried against the said water crane, and thrown from the car, receiving injuries from which he died.

It sets forth that he had an earning capacity of \$156 a month, and leaves a widow and four children, Margaret 9, Dorothy 7, Robert 5, and Catherine 2 years of age.

SEARCH FOR BODY.

Columbus, Dec. 18.—Police today were dragging Alum creek, near Westerville, for the body of H. F. Beard, of Frederickburg a C. A. & C. brakeman, believed to have fallen from his train into the creek yesterday. He was missed when the train arrived in Columbus. His cap was found in the creek.

Cleaning With Gasoline.

Unless the whole garment is placed in gasoline, the small places will show rings when cleaned. This is caused by using too much gasoline on the grease spot. Brush lightly with a cloth dampened with the gasoline, brush whea 47. If the rings are then noticeable hold the soiled part over the steam of a teakettle, and this will remove the unsightly blotch.

Hubbard's

The Place To Save
CASH AND CARRY

Boiling Beef, lb.21c
All Roast lb.24c
Hamburger25c
Pork Neck Bones lb.12-1-2c
Spareribs24c
Fresh Sausage28c
Pork Roast lb.32c and 33c
Little Fancy Chops35c
Little Pig Hearts lb.15c

Pig Liver15c two lbs. 25c
Pudding lb.15c
Pigs Feet for lunch lb.15c
Weiners and Bologna, lb.25c
Smoked Sausage lb.25c
Sauer Kraut by qt., fine15c
Bacon fine, only lb.36c
Mince Meat bulk, lb.20c to 35c
Cream Cheese, mild lb.43c

All Steak, Loin, Porter House, Round or Chuck
Per Pound

25c

EVERY DAY PRICES—EAT NOW.

Bellbrook Avenue.

Opposite Belding Milling Co.

ENROLL IN THE RED CROSS

More than ever before Christmas is to be the
occasion of enthusiastic happiness.

A GIFT OF FURS

Animal Scarfs in Black Lynx, Black Fox, Taupe Fox, Wolf and Coney,\$6.75 to \$42.50
Stoles and Capes in Hudson Seal, Moleine and Coney\$12.50 to \$50.00
Muffs in the new Canteen shape in Hudson Seal, Fox, Nutria and Coney\$4.95 to \$35.00
Children's Fur Sets in White Angora\$2.95
Children's Fur Sets in Natural and Brown Coney at\$2.50 to \$5.95

CHRISTMAS SLIPPERS

The Good, Practical, Durable Kind, as well as Warm, Easy and Dainty.

House Slippers of Black Leather\$2.25
Slippers of grey felt, fur and ribbon trimmed\$1.89
Slippers of Old Rose and Taupe, the "Comfy" kind....\$2.00

PYREX WARE

Pyrex Casseroles, plain and etched \$1.75, \$2.00, \$4.95, \$5.95
Guernseyware Casseroles in brown and Ivory white at\$4.00 to \$5.95
Pyrex Pie Plates75c to \$1.25
Pyrex Biscuit and Cake Plates89c to \$1.19
Pyrex Pudding Dish89c, \$1.25, \$1.35
Pyrex Custard Cups and Ramekins19c, 39c, 45c
Etched and cut glass candle sticks39c to 75c
Candles and Candle Shades5c, 10c, 15c, 25c

GIFT GLOVES

Tan Cape Walking 'Gloves\$1.75
Grey and Tan Cape Gloves, one and two clasp, special \$2.00
Brown and Grey Cape Gloves, one button\$2.65
Khaki and grey glove, heavy fancy stitching\$3.00
Alexandria Gloves in white, black and tan in self, black and white stitchings\$2.50
Children's Kid Gloves, lined\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75

BLOUSE GIFTS

Georgette Blouses in white and flesh, embroidered in white and colors, in collarless and plain tailored models\$3.50 to \$7.95
Georgette Blouses in Suit colors of Navy, Taupe, Ruby\$5.95 to \$16.50
Tailored Satin Blouses in white and Flesh\$6.50
Crepe de Chine Blouses in white and flesh, plain and embroidered\$3.50 to \$6.50
Tailored Waists of Dark Silk in striped and plaids at\$3.95 to \$5.00

UNDERWEAR GIFTS

Porto Rican Gowns and Chemise, hand embroidered and hand sewed\$2.95 to \$3.95
Kayser Silk Vests in flesh color\$2.59 and \$3.00
Gowns of Crepe de Chine, lace and ribbon trimmed at\$5.00 and \$6.75
Envelope Chemise of Crepe de Chine, lace and ribbon trimmed\$1.95 to \$3.50
Camisoles of Satin and Crepe de Chine, embroidery, lace and ribbon trimmed\$1.00 to \$1.95
Imported Japanese Crepe Kimonos, embroidered in Copenhagen and rose\$2.95 and \$3.95
Silk Kimonos in Satin, Crepe de Chine and Oriental Silks\$5.95 to \$10.00
Jorduroy Robes, loose models in Copenhagen, and Rose\$3.50 to \$6.75
Bath Robes in Navajo and Fancy Satin Trimmed models\$4.50 to \$6.75

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HIGHWAYMEN CAUGHT IN XENIA ARE HELD UNDER \$5,000 BOND

Roy Keller and Wilbur Ballard, arrested in this city Monday night for the Dayton police and held on a charge of highway robbery and passing worthless checks, pleaded not guilty when arraigned in Dayton municipal court yesterday, and were held to the grand jury under \$5,000 bond each.

Herbert Eidemiller, who it is believed, figured with the pair in passing worthless checks, was held under \$1,000. With the arrest of Eidemiller, police believe they have rounded up the fourth member of the gang that has been bothering them for several months. Charles Byers, lookout for the band, having been held to the grand jury.

Keller and Ballard have made a full confession, which clears up the series of robberies and holdups and worthless check operations amounting to more than \$200.

The arrest of Keller and Ballard gave much satisfaction to Chief of Police Canaday, as it is thought that it averted a holdup at the Atlas hotel here. Keller aroused the suspicions of Landlord Montgomery of the Atlas when he entered the lobby when Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery were counting the day's cash late one night. It was believed at the time that he was acquainting himself with conditions with possible intentions on the hostelry. Mr. Montgomery identified Keller at police headquarters Monday night.

CLUB ENTERTAINED BY MRS. MADDEN

Mrs. Reed Madden was hostess to the Junior Women's Club Tuesday afternoon, at her home on West Church street. The meeting is the last that the club will hold before the holidays, and the program was opened with a number of beautiful little Christmas thoughts by the members whose initials fall between S and Z.

As Mrs. Proudfit has resigned from the club membership, owing to ill health, her paper on "The Twentieth Century Church," was not rendered, but instead, Mrs. S. D. Fess and Mrs. S. O. Hale gave entertaining reports of the convention of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, which they attended in Columbus.

Mrs. M. L. Wolf read a paper on the "Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. in the Present War." Victrola music was enjoyed.

Mrs. Frank L. Smith will be hostess at the next meeting of the club, January 7.

EVERYBODY WANTS TO BE MEMBER OF THE RED CROSS

Greene county people are all anxious to enroll themselves as members of the American Red Cross. The solicitors in the county will endeavor to see every one and request them to join, but it is possible that many will be missed. If the solicitor misses you hunt up some Red Cross worker in your neighborhood and enroll yourself

as a supporter of this great organization. Any Red Cross worker, whether solicitor or not will either take your membership or send a regular solicitor to see you. All of the townships and the wards in Xenia are well organized and the work is progressing in a most satisfactory manner. Many of the districts are in charge of "old timers" at the soliciting game and they can be counted upon to do the work thoroughly.

In Xenia the city is divided into four sections, under the direction of the following captains, Milton McKay, J. A. Beatty, John Beachman and Karl Bloom. Each one is in charge of the section in which he lives

and they have each appointed a large number of men and women to help them. Each member gets a membership badge, a window service flag and ten tuberculosis stamps. Remember part of the money derived from this drive goes to the tuberculosis fund and half of all money raised in Greene county remains in the County Red Cross treasury.

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